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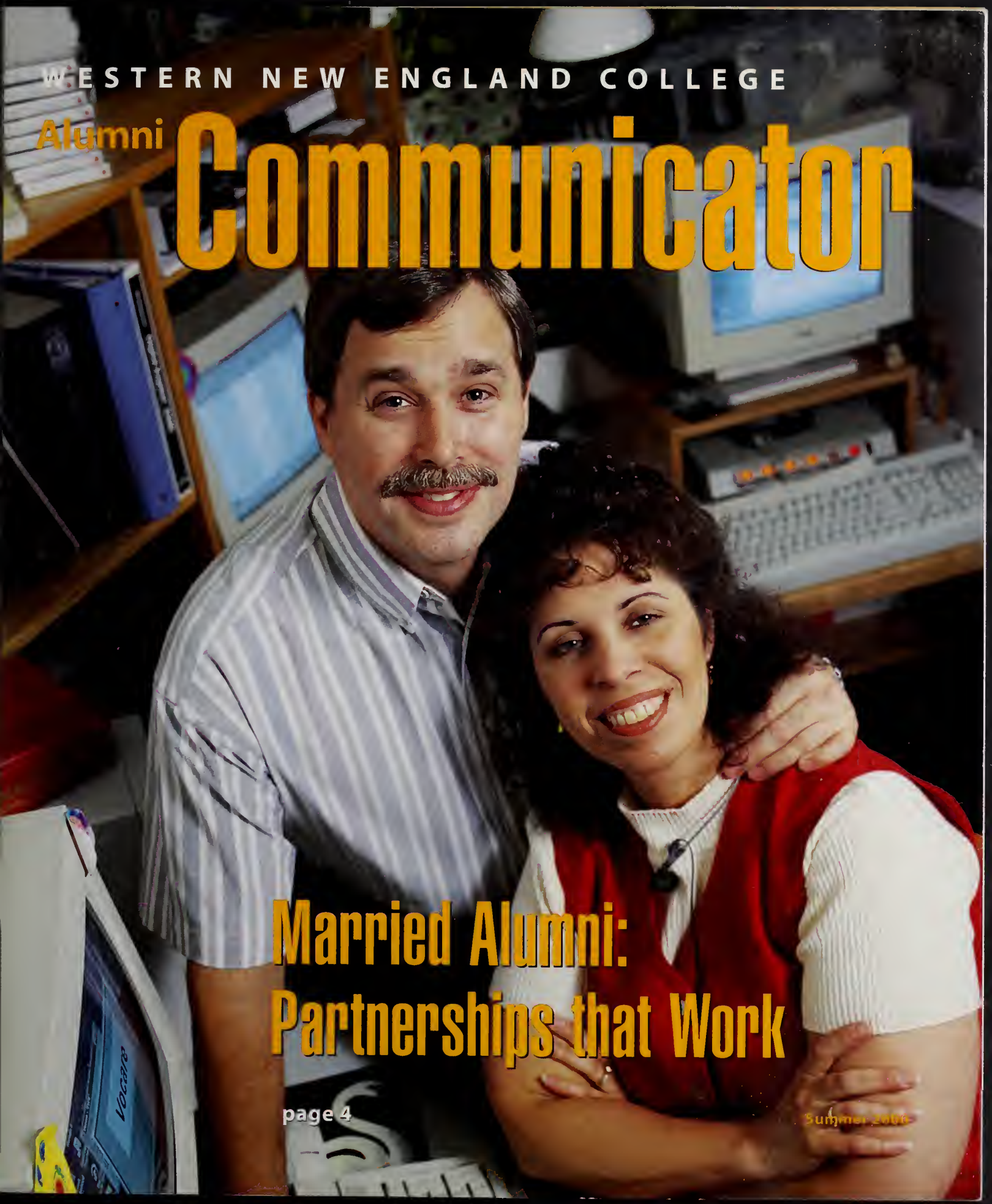

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ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Alumni Association of Western New England College shall be to communicate with and bring value to the alumni body and to support actively and financially the goals of the College as detailed in its mission statement.

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President's Message

Dear Alumni and Friends:

During the 1999-2000 academic year, 1,375 students completed degree requirements at the College. These included 170 graduates from the School of Law, over 500 master's degree graduates, and approximately 700 undergraduates from the Schools of Arts and Sciences, Business, and Engineering. For the second year degrees were conferred at three separate ceremonies: one for law, one for full-time undergraduates, and a ceremony for master's and bachelor's degree recipients from the College's Continuing Education Programs and Office Campus Programs located throughout the Commonwealth at 20 sites.

We now have over 30,000 alumni throughout the world, and given the high caliber of our graduates, certainly the College's reputation will continue to grow. Our current popularity—with yet another year of record-breaking application numbers—is very much the result of the increased visibility and the efforts on our behalf of our alumni—forces in their communities, in the workplace and in the various civic and cultural organizations they serve.

And I am so proud to be counted among Western New England College alumni, having been awarded, at the request of the members of the class of 2000 to the Board of Trustees, the honorary bachelor's degree at this year's undergraduate commencement ceremony. I have lauded at every occasion the value of a Western New England College degree during my four years at the College and now count myself honored and very fortunate, like all of our alumni, to hold a degree from our distinguished institution which continues to advance in every way.

One of my major goals remains to forge a strong bond between the College and each alumnus and alumna. In this new century we will strive to cement the relationships between alumni and the College, for without this strong bond, we will not be able to realize the vision we hold for our College and its ongoing future excellence.

The theme of this *Alumni Communicator*, like that of the two preceding issues, is relationships; this theme serves broadly to remind us that as each of us enters into a strong relationship with the College, including though not limited to yearly contributions to our now firmly-established Annual Giving Campaign, we are paving the way into the College's bright future. Collectively we can successfully realize the potential of this extraordinary College.

Sincerely,

Anthony Caprio

Anthony S. Caprio H'00

Letter from the Alumni Director

"I sincerely want to thank the committee that organized my retirement gathering, those who attended, and all of you who contributed to my endowed scholarship. Your efforts made an emotional impact on me and I will always hold dear my relationship with you and Western New England College."

Professor Henry "Hank" Bazan
36 years at Western New England College

This issue of the *Alumni Communicator* showcases our alumni who are married to fellow graduates. Our feature story looks at two couples: one facing the challenges of running a business together, the other negotiating the complexities of high-powered dual careers. Whether you are facing similar situations in your own life or encounter such couples in the workplace, we hope you will gain new understanding of the changing dynamics of marriage in 2000 and how they affect the business world.

The Alumni Association is pleased to announce some exciting changes within our organization. Recent changes in our Constitution and Bylaws have created a new Communications Committee and Cabinet. The Communications Committee will work on events, avenues for communication, student programs, and benefits and services for alumni. The Cabinet will help us streamline the development of our annual operating plan to respond to your needs more efficiently.

This spring, we made great strides in our development of area chapters in Boston, New York, Washington, D.C., and on Cape Cod. Area chapters are a significant means for alumni to network on a regular basis in their own region and maintain a current relationship with the College. Every day, new volunteers are becoming involved as we bring Western New England College into their hometown communities. Call us to organize a chapter in your area or learn about other volunteer opportunities.

This year, Homecoming will take place in mid-September—so mark your calendars for September 15 and 16. Come back to the College, reminisce with your friends, and catch all the excitement of our flourishing campus. If you want to call a few classmates to organize a mini-reunion, we'll be glad to help by providing the location, the food, and the entertainment.

At Homecoming and all year long, the Alumni Association is here for you. We want the College to remain as meaningful to your life today, as it was when you were a student. While family and career obligations may limit your time to volunteer, we encourage you to participate in the Association in anyway you can. Homecoming 2000 is a great place to start!

Sincerely,

Kara Kapinos

Kara Kapinos '87/G'89

SUCCESSFUL MERGERS

By Mary Mazzaferro

Joseph '84 and Susan (Scibelli) '82 Audette

On May 21, 2000, Ellen Galinsky, author of *Ask the Children: What America's Children Really Think About Working Parents*, and president and cofounder of the Families and Work Institute, addressed graduates at the Off-Campus and Graduate Commencement Ceremony She advised the audience to view their personal and professional lives as something to be navigated, not balanced. She cautioned, "Balancing implies an either-or situation—a scale where one side of the scale is up, the other side is down."

For dual-career couples, navigating life's journey together can be challenging and rewarding. Negotiating two careers, child rearing, and, most importantly, a healthy marriage, is no easy task for couples short on time, leisure, and that most precious commodity—sleep. Yet, many Western New England College married alumni are doing just that—having learned the all-important lesson that successfully navigating through uncharted waters takes both partners paddling in the same direction.

Here's how two Western New England College alumni couples have found success at home and at work.

Home-based businesses operated by spouses are one of the fastest growing segments of the entrepreneurial movement. But working with your spouse isn't always the healthiest work situation for your marriage. Before a couple draws up a business plan, they need to take stock of their relationship skills and clearly define their business roles.

Dr. Dennis Kolodziejski, licensed psychologist and professor of psychology at Western New England College, offers this advice for couples considering a business partnership.

"Married partners need to have good fundamental communication skills and coping mechanisms to handle stress. Each should be able to both listen and assert themselves. In decision-making, the couple needs to demonstrate respect for each other's concerns, feelings, and positions and be able to keep emotions under control. Most importantly, they should truly enjoy each other's company."

Partners in business and partners in life, Joseph and Susan (Scibelli) Audette of Belchertown, MA, have taken such advice to heart. The two have been partners in Copywrite Data Services, a medical transcription company, since 1993.

Although the Audettes attended Western New England College at the same time in the early eighties, their paths never crossed until they both began their careers at United Technologies Diesel Systems of Springfield. Susan Audette had been a commuter and studied marketing at the School of Business, receiving a B.S. in 1982. Joseph Audette had majored in industrial engineering and graduated in 1984. Within a year of their meeting, the couple was married and mapping out a life together with a home-based business in their master plan.

After the birth of their second child, Sue took a part-time job doing medical transcription. The business appealed to the Audettes and they decided to launch their own home-based service.

The couple's first big success was landing regional offices of Kaiser Permanente, beating out several large competitors with their personalized service and Sue's straight-forward marketing savvy. Joe's contribution included a revolutionary billing strategy, proposing payment based on character count over the traditional line count method. It has become a standard practice today.

Copywrite Data Service's client roster now includes over 75 doctors and other professionals. Sue runs the day-to-day operations of the business, overseeing an assistant, several subcontractors, customer service, and marketing. Joe, who is also employed full-time as an automation engineer with the Danaher Tool Group, steers the finances and handles the technical aspects. He developed two proprietary computer transcription systems that saved the company tens of thousands of dollars.

Both partners agree the division of labor has been key to their success. "Never, ever mix tasks. Each person needs to have his or her own tasks." advises Joe.

However, communication is constant and consistent. "I call her at 12:30 every day to discuss the business." says Joe.

Conflict Resolution Comes Home

The partnership is not without its conflicts. Growth has been a prime area of contention. Joe enjoys his career at Danaher and the benefits that come

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Joseph and Susan Audette with their children, Nicholas, 14, and Simone, 10.

with it, yet he would like to see Copywrite Data Services expand. "At one point, we had nearly 100 clients. Sue has been very concerned that she wouldn't be able to maintain the workload effectively unless I was here all the time to help her out. I don't want to leave Danaher, so we're limiting our growth."

When asked how they resolve business conflicts, Joe said, "The marriage always has to come first. What we want isn't as important as the reason we want it. So we have to reach a compromise."

Handling the daily operations of a business often requiring a 24-hour turnaround keeps Sue under constant pressure. "Sometimes it seems like all you do is work and you question 'Is this worth it?' And I'm sometimes resentful of the fact that he gets three weeks off with benefits." Indeed, vacation time is a luxury that Sue is now only beginning to enjoy.

In Pursuit of Quality Time

Contrary to the popular misconception, home-based businesses are not synonymous with unlimited family or personal time. While Sue is home for the children after school, she is not always available to them. "I do a lot of that 'waving thing' to them when I'm on the phone." She laughs. The Audettes, who relied on outside childcare for their second child, also advise others against trying to multi-task childcare and home-based work. Joe warns, "Trying to watch small children and run your own business doesn't work." With Sue adding, "You can't watch kids with a headset on."

In their off hours, the couple tries hard to make time for their children, ages fourteen and ten; each other; and themselves, "We're very close, so we prefer to spend our free time together," says Joe, "But remember," adds Sue, "We're not together all day long. If we were, it would be a different story."

The Audettes are very active in their community. Joe is a member of the Knights of Columbus, Sue has recently joined a bell-ringers choir, and together they donate time and money to church,

"We've always known where we were headed and what we expected of each other. You have to have that for a good marriage and you have to have it for a successful business, too."

—Joseph Audette

civic, and school organizations. The Audettes have even served as engagement encounter instructors for their church, advising other couples on how to build successful relationships.

Reflecting on the benefits of their working partnership, Sue said, "It's kept me at home for the children; it's helping us build an education fund for them—those are the biggest perks. And its makes me feel really good that we're employing people who would find it difficult to gain employment if they couldn't work at home."

Joe concluded, "It's difficult to compartmentalize the areas of your life. You have to be very disciplined. And sometimes the business invades your private life—you just can't walk away. At the end of the day, we are the owners."

Dual Degrees. Dual Careers.

Bruce '83/G'89 and Lisa (Della Guistina) '83/G'90 Bachmann

"Everything has always been very 50/50. We've always treated each other's careers with equal importance and I think that has been a key element in each of our successes." —Lisa Bachmann

According to a study by the Families and Work Institute, from 1977 to 1997, the number of dual-career couples with children grew from 49 to 67 percent. Dr. Dennis Kolodziejski of the Western New England College Psychology Department sees that change as a positive one providing greater career freedom for both spouses and reshaping the role of fathers in our society. "In the sixties, many men of the babyboom generation saw the change coming and were active in the Women's Movement. The byproduct of that today is that younger men are able to experience what it's like to participate in activities from changing diapers to coaching their daughter's basketball team, something the structure of the male-dominated workplace of previous generations didn't allow time for."

Indeed, equity in everything is the secret behind the dynamic duo known as Bruce and Lisa Bachmann of Westfield, MA. Both the Bachmann's careers are soaring with no limitations in sight; Bruce is a project leader for i2 Technologies, Lisa is senior vice president of Planning and Allocation for Ames Department Stores. Their success at home and the office is based on a mutual respect and a genuine belief in supporting one another's dreams.

High school sweethearts, the Bachmann's journeyed together from Westfield High School to Western New England College where both earned undergraduate and graduate degrees. Bruce arrived at the College first, originally intending to transfer to a larger industrial engineering program in his junior year. He found he liked the program here so much that he not only stayed to earn his IE degree, but returned a few years later to pursue his MBA.

Lisa (Della Guistina) Bachmann was looking for a local school that offered both a strong accounting program and the opportunity to play softball and basketball. After speaking with the College's athletic director, Lisa decided to join Bruce here in 1979. She earned a B.S. from the School of Business in 1983.

After six years of courtship, the Bachmann's were married that same year. Lisa enrolled in the Evening MBA Program the following fall, Bruce joined her after a two-year product inventory management certification program. Lisa said, "We've made conscious decisions all along the way. Even when we were undergraduates, we both knew we'd be going back for our MBAs, it definitely was a part of our goals."

Balancing Books, Business, and Babies

Also included in their master plan was a family which the Bachmanns began in 1987. At the time of their daughter's birth, Lisa was working as an accountant for Casual Corner of Enfield, CT, and Bruce was working for a company that developed television stations. Both were enrolled in the College's Evening MBA Program. Those busy early years of their marriage set the stage for the flexibility that would be needed as their careers progressed. Lisa recalled, "We've never had any firm roles or responsibilities, we just traded off. I might need to study one night so Bruce did the dishes and put the baby to bed or visa versa."

With the support of their partner, the Bachmann's careers have steadily accelerated. While studying for her MBA, Lisa left the financial area of Casual Corner for the merchandise planning and allocation side of the retail industry. "The decision for me to move to that type of career path over accounting was driven by my desire to make the business happen over reporting on it. I really wanted to be on the frontline," she said. Since 1997, Lisa has been doing just that for Ames Department Stores where she serves as a senior vice president.

Lisa's post at Ames has often required long hours on top of an hour-long commute to Rocky Hill, CT, and overnight travel several times a month. She credits Bruce's more predictable schedule at the time with enabling her to spend more hours away from home. "I have often said to Bruce, we would have had to make compromises and done things differently if I didn't have his support and knew that he had everything in check at home."

For most of their marriage, Bruce worked as manager of manufacturing planning for LEGO Systems, a company he characterized as being "family-friendly." The security offered by the position was one factor that kept the couple from relocating closer to Lisa's job. Their local support system was the other. "Dual-career couples need a good support system. The support we had in the area—our family, friends, and neighbors, was very important to us. It takes a long time to develop that, so I opted to continue to commute rather than relocate," said Lisa.

A Study in Compromise

With each transition in their careers, the Bachmann's have had to reassess their childcare options for their daughter Ashley, now 13, and son Nicholas, age 7. As a project manager for the i2 Technologies based in Dallas, TX, Bruce will be travelling four days a week and working from home on the fifth. With Lisa's travel schedule, they have made the decision to hire a live-in childcare provider.

Says Lisa, "It was a great opportunity for Bruce, but we also had to weigh what the impact on the family would be with him travelling. Now, I feel it is my turn to give back to him. I'm willing to make the compromises. Compromise is a continuous thing that we take day-by-day."

Bruce is excited about his new position which he began this May. "i2 is a major player in the business-to-business software market, dealing with anyone from Amazon.com to Home Depot to Ford. The position offers a combination of greater future potential, very cutting edge technology, and the ideal situation of being able to work from home," he said.

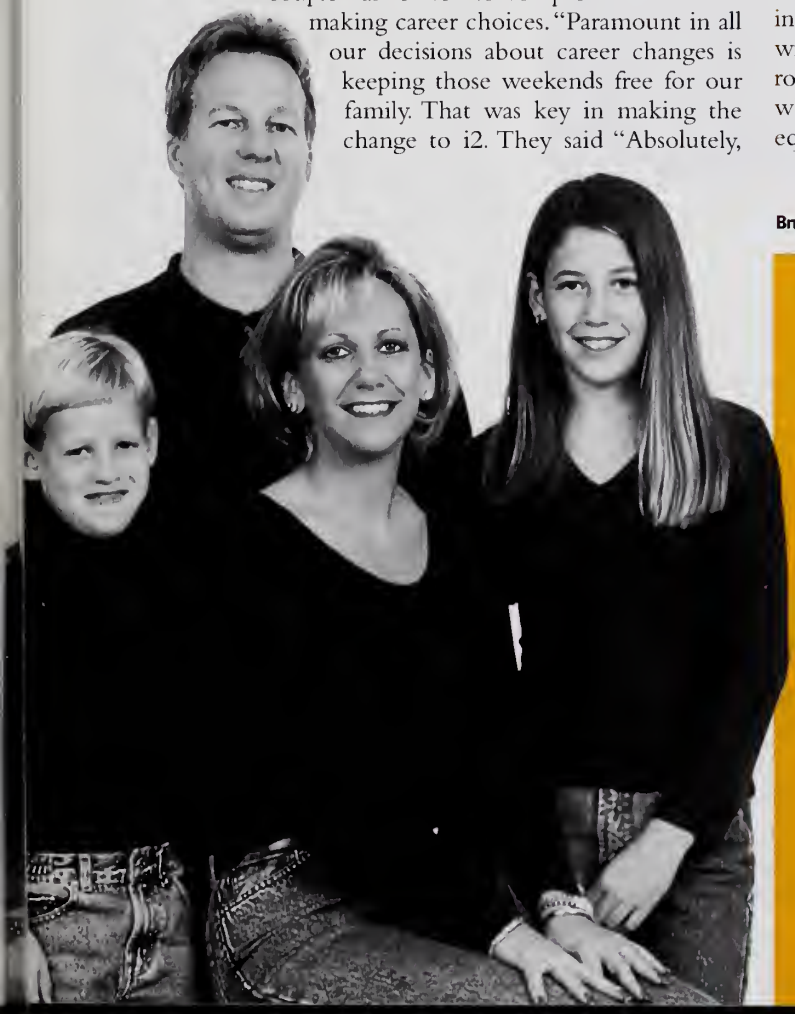
Working for the Weekend

Keeping their weekends free has been one area that the couple has refused to compromise on when making career choices. "Paramount in all our decisions about career changes is keeping those weekends free for our family. That was key in making the change to i2. They said "Absolutely, the weekends are yours.' Lisa's employer has been equally supportive," said Bruce.

When asked how their dual-career marriage compares with those of their friends' and peers' Bruce remarked, "Among them there is usually a dominant career and that's how they've chosen to balance things." While Lisa added, "In the model that Bruce and I have, he had much more opportunity to be involved with the children. When he was at LEGO and had more flexibility than I did, there were many more times when he was at the children's science fairs than I was. Perhaps 20 years ago, the woman would have been the one there."

"Whenever either of us has enjoyed success in our careers, it has always been a very positive, celebrated thing, not a source of competition." —Bruce Bachmann

Competition is a non-issue for the Bachmanns who maintain and all-for-one, one-for-all attitude when it comes to professional success. Bruce summarized what has made their relationship work so well in enabling them to grow as individuals and as a couple, by saying, "Our success is due to treating our careers with equal importance and treating each other with respect in regard to balancing things. There wasn't any role or responsibility that either of us would shy away from—whether domestic chores or things with the children. It's an equal partnership, and for us, that has really worked well."



Bruce and Lisa Bachmann with their children, Nicholas, 7, and Ashley, 13.

For more information about dual-career and family issues, check out these resources:

"Do's and Don'ts for Dual-Career Couples with Children"
www.readersdigest.co.uk/ddcareer.html

"Dual-Career Couples—Facing the 'Stress of Success' How Families Cope"
www. shpm.com/articles/wf/dualcar.html

The Families and Work Institute
www.familiesandwork.org

Partners at Home and at Work: How Couples Can Build a Successful Business Together Without Killing Each Other!, Annette O'Shea-Roche, International Self-Counsel Press Ltd., (Canada, 1994)

He Works She Works: Successful Strategies for Working Couples, J.&J. Carter, American Management Association, (New York, 1995)

On May 20 and 21, 2000 Western New England College celebrated the personal accomplishments of a total of 1,375 graduates who received degrees in the 1999/2000 academic year and honored four distinguished leaders with honorary degrees. Of the graduates, 154 received the Juris Doctor at the Commencement ceremony for the School of Law, held at Springfield Symphony Hall on May 20. Later that day, another 355 graduates received their baccalaureate degrees on campus at the Alumni Healthful Living Center, while 208 others received undergraduate and graduate degrees at the College's Off-Campus Programs and Graduate ceremony on Sunday, May 21.

Commencement 2000

A Celebration of Achievement

Nationally Renowned Civil Rights Lawyer Honored

Commencement speaker and honorary degree recipient for the Law School was renowned civil rights lawyer, Margaret A. Burnham, Esq. Her legal career began at the NAACP Legal Defense Fund in New York, the premier civil rights law firm in the nation. Less than a year after coming to the firm, she resigned to join the legal team defending Angela Y. Davis. Successfully using the federal courts, she was able to force Ms. Davis' jailors to release her from solitary confinement until her extradition to California and subsequent acquittal.

In 1977, she was the first woman of color to be appointed as a judge in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, where she served in the judiciary for six years. In 1993, she was appointed by President Nelson Mandela to serve with jurists from Zimbabwe and South Africa on an international panel investigating human rights abuses alleged to have been committed by the African National Congress. Currently in private practice as a partner in the Boston firm of Burnham and Hines, she is also a faculty member in political science at MIT.

Undergraduate Commencement Ceremony Recognizes Higher Education Leader

Priest, author, and the current chancellor of Boston College James Donald Monan, S.J., delivered remarks at the Saturday afternoon ceremony for the undergraduate students. Fr. Monan has served higher education for more than 50 years, having begun as an instructor at St. Peter's College of New Jersey in 1949. Appointed president of Boston College in 1972, he served until 1996, when he was named chancellor. He has also been a trustee and member of the board of directors for numerous organizations, primarily in the field of higher education. Esteemed for both his accomplishments and his vision for higher education, Fr. Monan has been honored by such diverse groups as the National Catholic Educational Association, the Associated Industries of Massachusetts, and the National Football Foundation and Hall of Fame. At the College's ceremony, Dr. Anthony S. Caprio awarded him his 11th honorary degree.

Pictured with friends and family, law graduate Keisha Espinal L'00 was the recipient of the Dean's Award and the James C. Faison Multicultural Leadership Award.

Author Delivers Messages About Workplace Issues to Off-Campus and Graduate Students

Author of the groundbreaking book, *Ask the Children: What America's Children Really Think About Working Parents,* Ellen Galinsky offered graduates an inside perspective on several workplace issues and trends that are shaping how workers and employers will respond to achieve harmony between home and family life in the next century.

Ms. Galinsky is also the president and cofounder of the Families and Work Institute, a non-profit organization in Manhattan that conducts research on the changing family, workplace, and community.

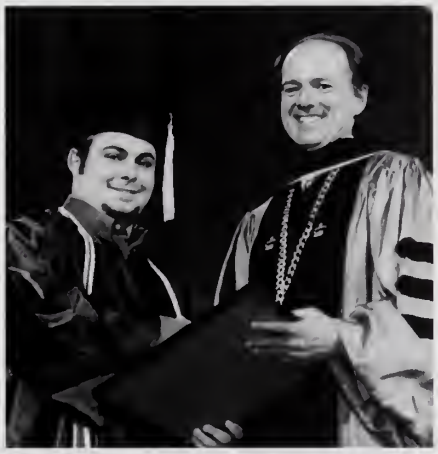
A leading authority on workplace issues and popular keynote speaker, she was a presenter at the 1997 White House Conference on Child Care. Her service on many boards, commissions, and task forces, as well as her work with numerous companies and governments, extends globally. For 25 years, she was a faculty member at Bank Street College of Education and has authored more than 20 books and reports and over 100 articles on the issues of family and personal life of employees.

Ms. Galinsky was recognized for her achievements with an honorary degree as well, capping off a full weekend of fond memories and celebrations for all.

Western New England College President Receives Institution's First-Ever Honorary Bachelor's Degree

Western New England College President Anthony S. Caprio was presented the College's first-ever honorary bachelor's degree as a result of a special petition to the Board of Trustees from the Class of 2000.

The unprecedented request was made in order that Dr. Caprio, who began his tenure as fifth President of the institution at the same time that the graduating seniors began their academic careers at the College (September 1, 1996), might join them as they received their diplomas.



Jayme Pratt '00 presented Dr. Anthony Caprio H'00 with an honorary Bachelor of Arts degree requested by the Class of 2000.

Jayme P. Pratt, Senior Class President, together with Trustee Chairman Thomas R. Burton '70, made the presentation of the honorary bachelor of arts degree.

Dr. Caprio holds a bachelor of arts degree from Wesleyan University, where he was named to Phi Beta Kappa. He was awarded the doctoral degree from Columbia University in 1973, and undertook studies in Paris. He is listed in *Who's Who in America, Who's Who in the World,* and *Who's Who in American Education.*

Class of 2000: The Facts

Total graduates:	**1,375**
Undergraduate degrees:	**666**
Graduate degrees:	**539**
Law degrees:	**170**

Top Five Majors for Undergraduates:

1. Law Enforcement
2. Management Studies
3. Criminal Justice
4. Computer Information Systems
5. Accounting

Top Five Degrees for Graduates:

1. Master of Science in Criminal Justice Administration
2. Master of Business Administration
3. Juris Doctor
4. Master of Science in Engineering Management
5. Master of Science in Information Systems

18 States are represented by undergraduate students:

California, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Indiana, Iowa, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Hampshire, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, and Texas.

11 states are represented by graduate students:

California, Connecticut, Florida, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, Rhode Island, New Jersey, and Virginia.

14 states are represented by law graduates:

California, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Massachusetts, Maryland, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island, Texas, Utah, Virginia, and Washington.

Graduation figures include degrees awarded on October 15, 1999, February 15, 2000, and May 20, 2000.

New Members Named to Board of Trustees

Ronald Goulet '67

RONALD GOULET '67 is chairman and CEO of PRN Corporation, a sales and marketing company doing business throughout the United States and Canada. Among the company's list of customers are such firms as Cannondale, Conrail, Milton Bradley, Danaher Tool Group, Prestone, LEGO Systems, Inc., Polaroid, ABB, Stanley, L.L. Bean, and Spalding Sports Worldwide.

Previously, Mr. Goulet served as director of operations for Danaher Tool Group, a large hand tool manufacturing company, which serviced such clients as Sears Roebuck & Company and Mac Tools. He also served as materials manager for Easco Hand Tools, another large hand tool manufacturing company, which included Sears Roebuck & Company, Proto, and Easco Mark among its clients. Formerly a distribution manager for Moore Drop Forging Company, Mr. Goulet has also worked for BayBank.

At Western New England College, he has been active in the Alumni Association as a member of the Executive Committee, member of the National Alumni Strategic Planning Committee, member of the Alumni-in-Admissions Advisory Committee, the president of Pi Tau Kappa, and member of the Board of Governors. In addition, he is a member of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce, the Lions Club of Hampden, and the Kiwanis Club of Springfield.

Ron's sons, Jeffrey '88 and Gary '91 are also graduates of the College. His father, Alfred Goulet has taught in the Real Estate Certificate Program here.

ATTY. FRANK P. FITZGERALD '68/L'73, principal of the law firm Frank P. Fitzgerald, P.C., is also a cofounder and chairman of the board of Bank of Western Massachusetts, which was formed in 1986 to provide services specifically geared to businesses and professionals. From 1976-92, Atty. Fitzgerald was a partner in the law firm of Bacon & Wilson, P.C.

An advisor and counsel to many small businesses, he focuses his practice on mergers and acquisitions, capital raising activities, and general corporate law. Atty. Fitzgerald is a frequent lecturer and author on entrepreneurial topics.

He earned a Juris Doctor from Western New England College School of Law in 1973 and a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Western New England College in 1968. In addition, he is a member of the American, Massachusetts, and Hampden County Bar Associations as well as the Commercial Law League of America.

RYAN M. COURTEMANCHE '00 most recently served as president of the Western New England College Student Senate. He earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from the College this past May.

An outstanding student leader, Mr. Courtemanche received the Skookum Award of Excellence in 1999 and has been a member of *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*. The former Eagle Scout was awarded the Student Programmer of the Year for 1997-98 and is a charter member of the Western New England College Honors Program. He was also a member of the Alpha Lambda Delta Freshman Honor Society as well as the Delta Mu Delta Business Honor Society.

Mr. Courtemanche was chairperson of the College's Grievance Committee (1997-99) and also class president and vice president of the Alpha Kappa Psi Business Fraternity during that same period. He has accepted a position at MassMutual in the Human Resources Department.

THE WESTERN NEW ENGLAND COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES approved three new members at its June 6 meeting. Joining the roster of distinguished leaders serving on the Board are: Ronald Goulet '67, as Alumni Trustee; Atty. Frank P. Fitzgerald '68/L'73; and Ryan M. Courtemache '00.

Frank Fitzgerald '68/L'73

New trustee Ryan Courtemanche '00 speaks with the College's longest serving trustee, Alfred LaRiviere '51/H'95.

Seventeen out of Nineteen Varsity Teams Participate in Post-Season Play

WINTER SEASON

Men's Basketball

Despite losing a tough 79-77 decision to Amherst College in the first round of the NCAA Division III Tournament, the Western New England College men's basketball team came full circle during the 1999-2000. Winning just two games two years ago, the Golden Bears roared to a 22-6 record this season and won the championship in the Great Northeast Athletic Conference.

The Golden Bears also ran away with all the post-season honors in the Great Northeast Athletic Conference. Head coach Doug Pearson was named Coach of the Year, freshman **MIKE O'CONNOR** (Farmington, CT) was named Rookie of the Year, and junior **ERIC STEWART** (Ft. Montgomery, NY) was named Player of the Year.

Junior forward Eric Stewart goes high to tip the ball back into the basket. Stewart was named the Player of the Year in the Great Northeast Atlantic Conference.

Seniors **RYAN ABRAHAM** (Newington, CT) and **TOM KEANE** (Yonkers, NY) were named to the All-Conference Team. Abraham was also selected by the New England College Basketball Coaches Association to play in the senior All-Star Classic on the Division III team.

WNEC, which was making just its second NCAA Tournament appearance, showed it belonged among the New England elite in the NCAA playoffs with its performance. The Lord Jeffs of Amherst hit seven of their first nine shots and jumped out to a quick 29-14 lead on the Golden Bears. WNEC began to chip away and trailed by just three at the intermission, 42-39.

After a quick 6-0 run by Amherst to start the second half, WNEC battled back to eventually tie the game at 61-61 on a pair of free throws by sophomore center **ANDY THORNTON** (Chicopee, MA).

WNEC took its first lead of the game at 72-71 with two free throws by Eric Stewart with 4:45 to play. A minute later Hugh Quattlebaum banked in a layup to give Amherst a 75-74 lead and the Lord Jeffs would not trail the rest of the way.

The Golden Bears had two opportunities to win the game in the closing seconds. Trailing by two with :12 left, the Golden Bears turned the ball over and were forced to foul Amherst's Steve Zieja when he picked up the loose ball. WNEC would have one more opportunity when Zieja missed both free throws with :04 left. O'Connor ripped down the rebound and dribbled the to the length of the floor. He kicked the ball to Keane on the wing, but he was unable to get the shot off before the buzzer sounded.

Junior Erin Marino became just the eighth women's basketball player in school history to notch 1000 career points.

Women's Basketball

First year head coach Wendy Davis guided her team to a 16-9 record, the most for a WNEC women's basketball team in five years. The Golden Bears qualified for the Great Northeast Athletic Conference tournament, losing a first-round game to Emmanuel College.

Junior guard **ERIN MARINO** (Westerly, RI) had the best year of her career, averaging 16.7 points a game. She also became the eighth player in school history to score 1000 career points. Erin also led the team in steals and was second on the team in assists. Sophomore **JOYCE NEILSON** (Salisbury, CT) led the team in assists, while averaging nine points per game.

The story of the season was the emergence of three freshmen that should put the program on solid footing for years to come. **LINDSEY BLACK** (Bernardston, MA) was second on the team in scoring at 13.1 points per game and was second in rebounding. **JAMIE CARNEY** (Orleans, MA) led the Golden Bears on the boards, averaging 9.7 per contest. **ALEXIS FIBBLE** (Cornwell, NY) came on strong

at the end of the season, moving into the starting lineup by year's end.

Ice Hockey

The ice hockey team had its best season in six years, posting 11 wins and qualifying for the ECAC Northeast Playoffs. The Golden Bears lost a tough 5-4 decision to Fitchburg State in the first round of the tournament, but showed that the program had turned a corner and had returned to the top ranks of Division III hockey in New England.

Senior **JASON LACROIX** (Barre, VT) led the Golden Bears in scoring for the fourth consecutive season, finishing with 11 goals and 24 assists. He finished third on the all-time scoring list with 114 points. Senior **JEFF GILBERT** (Manchester, NH) finished second in scoring this season with 17 goals and 14 assists.

Senior defenseman **GARY WHITTIER** (Belchertown, MA) was the lone Golden Bear named to the ECAC All-Star team, after finishing the season with 29 points. Junior goalie **NATE STOCKTON** (Weymouth, MA) made a good team on defense with Whittier, finishing with a 4.29 goals against average.

Women's Swimming

The women's swimming team finished the season with a 6-9 record for second-year coach Ben Bump. One of the season's goals was not to lose to any team they defeated last year. While they did lose to one of those teams, the Golden Bears more than made up for it by turning the tables on two teams which had given them trouble last year. The team finished the year strong with three straight wins, including the season finale over archrival Eastern Connecticut State University.

Four new school records were established this year. Junior **MICHELE CINKEWICZ** (Woodbridge, NJ) set a new standard in the 1650-yard freestyle. Junior Cocaptain **LISA-MARIE CONTRINO** (Weymouth, MA) lowered the mark in the 200-yard backstroke, and freshman **MEAGHAN PHAIR** (Pittsfield, MA) rose to the challenge in the grueling 200-yard butterfly. Finally, the relay team of junior cocaptain **LYNN SCHNEEWEIS** (Chicopee, MA) and first year swimmers **SUZANNE MONAHAN** (Madison, NJ), **COLLEEN HART** (Albany, NY) and Phair eclipsed the old record in the 800 yard freestyle.

Having concluded the second year of the team's five-year plan, Coach Bump is confident that the team is on track to accomplish its goal of ranking in the upper half of all women's swim teams in New England.

Wrestling

The wrestling team suffered through a rash of injuries during the 1999-2000 campaign and finished with a 9-19-1 record. Senior **KEVIN FLEENOR** (Newburgh, NY) had a strong season at 125 pounds, setting several school records while finishing with a 28-2 dual meet record. He placed third in the New England Championships, hosted by WNEC in February. At the conclusion of the year, Fleenor was also named the Western New England College Male Scholar Athlete of the Year.

Junior heavyweight **CRAIG RAND** (Pittsfield, MA) also had an impressive year for the Golden Bears, and surprised many by finishing a strong fourth in the New England Championships.

ALUMNI BASKETBALL GAME

Saturday, January 20, 2001

SAVE THE DATE!

Coach Doug Pearson would like to invite you to campus for an Alumni Game and to join the College community in cheering on the Golden Bears in their varsity contest. Please call Coach Pearson at 413-782-1209 or the Office of Alumni Relations 800-962-6592 if you are interested in helping to organize the Alumni Game.

Bazan Retirement Gathering Brings Out the Bears

Many former Golden Bears football players came out to honor founding father of the team, professor and coach Henry "Hank" Bazan. Picture (L-R) are Hank's son, Stanley Bazan '87; T. Wayne Murphy '81; Richard Vollaro '83, husband of Hank's daughter Prof. Mary Bazan Vollaro; Jim Bedard '83/G'87; Ray Shamlian '78; Daniel Covell; Gary Orr '71; Mike Thompson '88; Vincent Bovino '78; former Coach Hank Bazan; and Kevin Jandreau '79/G'81.

Women's Lacrosse Team Reaches New Heights

In just the third year of the program's existence, the Western New England College women's lacrosse team exceeded expectations amassing 11 wins, qualifying for the NEWLA playoffs, and topping it all off by being selected for the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) Tournament. The Golden Bears were the seventh seed and faced second-seeded Tufts University. Despite finishing on the short end of the score, WNEC showed it will be a force in the New England lacrosse scene for years to come.

Senior **MEGAN DEL VECCHIO** (Woodbridge, CT) lead the team in scoring with 31 goals and 11 assists. Senior **DANIELLE VALENTE** (West Haven, CT) was next with 38 goals and three assists, and sophomore **JOYCE NEILSON** (Salisbury, CT) had 28 goals and 11 assists. Neilson was named to the New England Women's Lacrosse Alliance (NEWLA) All-Southern Division All-Star Team at the conclusion of the season.

The catalyst for the team down the stretch and in the NEWLA playoffs was freshman **CHRISTIE PFISTER** (E. Greenbush, NY). Christie had an incredible showing in WNEC's 16-10 win over Salve Regina in the first round of the NEWLA playoffs, scoring five goals and adding three assists.

Junior goalie **KATHLEEN REED** (Cambridge, NY) was one of the top goalies in NEWLA all year, and was ranked fourth nationally. She allowed 8.5 goals per game and had an impressive .622 save percentage.

SPRING SEASON

Baseball

The baseball team just missed out on its second consecutive 20-win season, finishing with a 19-17 record. Junior **KYLE SNURKOWSKI** (Griswold, CT), and sophomores **ANDY JOLICOEUR** (Easthampton, MA) and **KRAIG FEIGHERY** (Stamford, CT) were named First Team All-Great Northeast Athletic Conference at the end of the season. WNEC finished as runner up in the GNAC this season, losing to Suffolk University 2-1 in the final game.

Kyle finished with an 8-4 record and a league-leading 1.32 earned run average. He struck out 93 batters in 82 innings of work. He pitched two complete games in three days in the GNAC Tournament. He pitched a 4-0 shutout against Emerson in the first round on Friday, and lost the 2-1 decision to Suffolk in the final while striking out 12 batters.

Jolicoeur, the shortstop, finished with the top batting average for the Golden Bears this season, hitting an impressive .378. He also led the team in doubles with 12 and RBI with 34. Feighery, a center fielder, finished with a .313 batting average this season and played flawless defensively. He was also a favorite target of pitchers, getting hit nine times this season.

After a slow start, junior **DEREK HIGGINS** (Waltham, MA) finished the season strong and ended up with a career-best .365 average. Freshman **NICK ZIMINSKY** (Chelmsford, MA) made a big splash in his rookie season, finishing with a .297 batting average and a 2-1 record on the mound with a 2.39 ERA.

Softball

The women's softball team finished the year with a 21-13 overall record, the first 20-win season in nine years for the Golden Bears. WNEC got to the championship game of the GNAC Tournament, losing a heartbreaker to St. Joseph's College of Connecticut, 3-2.

Sophomore **JENI PERNAA** (Ashby, MA) was named the team's Most Valuable Player this season, leading the team in hitting with a .388 batting average. She was also perfect on the mound with a 5-0 record and a 1.75 earned run average. Freshman **JOYCE BLAKE** (Dalton, MA) was named the team's Rookie of the Year, finishing with a .307 average and a team-high 26 RBI. But her most important contribution was defensively. The catcher allowed just 8 stolen bases all season. Her twin sister, **JUNE BLAKE**, also had a great season hitting .351.

Freshman **SIERRA EURKUS** (Palmer, MA) was the most consistent pitcher for the Golden Bears this season, compiling an 9-6 record and a 2.45 ERA. Another freshman, **MARCIE BRUDER** (Keene, NH), also had a good season on the mound with a 7-7 mark and 2.50 ERA.

Seniors **JACKIE HICKS** (Shelburne Falls, MA) and **MARISSA STAWASZ** (W. Springfield, MA) finished up long and distinguished careers for WNEC this season. Stawasz hit .342 while Hicks batted .333. The 129 career hits by Hicks is the third highest total of all-time for WNEC and her 124 games played is the most ever by a Golden Bear.

Men's Golf

The Golden Bears had a successful spring season, winning the Worcester State College Sterling Invitational and the Franklin Pierce Invitational. WNEC defeated 13 other Division II and III teams in capturing the Worcester crown. The Golden Bears also finished second out of 11 in the Elms College Invitational, and placed seventh out of 20 in the Massachusetts Intercollegiate Championships.

Juniors **KYLE JURCZYK** (Gilbertville, MA) and **PAUL WINKLER** (West Springfield, MA) were consistent for WNEC all season. Sophomore **RYAN BOWEY** (Wolcott, CT) also played well throughout and freshman **JAY CRONIN** posted one of the best rounds of the Spring for the Golden Bears, shooting a 74 in the Williams Invitational.

Sophomore Bill Locher drives toward the net in route to another goal. Locher led the Golden Bears in scoring this season with 38 goals.

Men's Lacrosse

At first glance, the team's 6-9 record doesn't look too good. Looking a little deeper the Golden Bears had a respectable record considering the strength of the schedule. Of the nine losses, five of them were to teams ranked in the top 25 in the nation in Division III this season.

The Golden Bears finished the year on a down note, however, losing the final two games of the season and missing out on a Pilgrim League playoff slot. WNEC held the lead late at MIT, but the Engineers put on a late spurt and beat the Golden Bears 10-9. In the season finale, Pilgrim League rival Babson College blitzed WNEC 12-4.

Sophomore **BILL LOCHER** (Yorktown, NY) followed up an impressive rookie campaign with a better second year. He led the team in scoring with 38 goals and 14 assists. Sophomore **RYAN DEANE** (Wilbraham, MA) finished second with 27 goals and 12 assists, followed by **KEVIN SAVAGE** (W. Hartford, CT) with 16 goals and 12 assists. Junior goalie **JARED BARRINGER** (Troy, NY) was ranked third in the Pilgrim League in save percentage (.641).

Savage, a midfielder, and sophomore **KEVIN STURMER** (Longwood, NY), a defender, were named to the Pilgrim League Southeast Division All-Star Team.

Men's Tennis

The men's team finished with a 9-5 overall mark and a 5-2 record in the Great Northeast Athletic Conference. The Golden Bears made it to the Championship of the GNAC Tournament where they lost a tough 5-4 decision to Johnson & Wales University.

The number one doubles team of junior **BRYAN HANSON** (Wantagh, NY) and **MIKE RAYMOND** (Vernon, CT) had a great season, finishing with an 8-4 record. Hanson also played number one singles while Raymond was 8-4 at the number two singles position. Number two doubles team of **TOM MICHAUD** (Manchester, CT) and **AARON DI NOTO** (Webster, NY) was 5-1, and sophomore **WILL DELAHANTY** (Tobyhanna, PA) was 9-3 at number five singles.

Full-Time Men's Soccer Coach Part of Athletic Department Staffing Changes

Erin Sullivan was recently named full-time men's soccer coach at Western New England. He is the first full-time men's soccer coach at the College since WNEC Hall of Famer Bill Downes stepped down at the end of the 1989 season.

This past season Sullivan served as assistant men's soccer coach at St. John's University in New York. He also had stints as assistant coach at Cornell University in Ithaca, NY, and Lafayette College in Easton, PA. He played collegiate soccer at Williams College and captained the 1995 team that won the NCAA Division III National Championship, finishing with a 17-0-2 record. He was named first team All-New England that season.

Sullivan is the assistant director of the Soccer Plus Goalkeeper School with former USA women's soccer coach Tony DiCicco. He is also the goalkeeper coach in the Eastern New York Olympic Development program, and head coach for the Hewlett Blue Streak, an under-16 premier soccer team.

"I am very excited to have been given the opportunity to join the WNEC athletic program," Sullivan says. "I feel there is a tremendous opportunity to turn the program back into a highly competitive and regionally recognized one. I look forward to this challenge and am overjoyed to be a part of a growing athletic program under outstanding leadership."

Sullivan will also work with the sports information director as assistant SID.

OTHER COACHES PROMOTED

In addition to Sullivan's hiring, the athletic department elevated the status of several other coaches. Baseball coach Matt LaBranche, women's lacrosse and field hockey coach Aimee DeBoyace, and softball coach Lori Mayhew were all recently hired on a full-time basis. LaBranche and DeBoyace will also teach in the physical education department, while Mayhew will assume duties as equipment manager.

Baseball coach Matt LaBranche, who guided the Golden Bears to 19 wins this season, is one of 5 new full-time hires in the athletic department.

Women's volleyball coach Greg Poole was also hired full time to coach his sport, as well as coordinate intramurals and work in the Wellness Center.

The recent hirings brings the number of full-time coaches in the Western New England College athletic department to seven, and should place the Golden Bears in excellent position to continue their climb to the top of the New England Division III athletic mountain.

Love and Taxes Unite Off-Campus MBA Couple

U.S. Army Major David G'95 and Heather (McMaster) G'95

Thinking of getting your MBA? If you're as lucky as David and Heather (McMaster) Press, you could find more than just financial statements in your future; enrolling in graduate school might lead to a classroom proposal and a partnership for life.

Although Dave and Heather had met each other in the military prior to enrolling in the Off-Campus Programs at Fort Devens, MA, it was their intense two years of graduate study that led to romance. After leaving the Navy, Heather kept in touch with Dave while she was working in Boston for companies including Honeywell and Raytheon. Dave was stationed at Fort Devens as an engineer advisor for Readiness Group Devens. When he told her he was starting his first MBA course at the base, she decided to check out the Western New England College program by sitting in on his class. That's when her mind was made up she said, "When I went to the class, I saw a lot of girls interested in Dave. In my mind, I had already decided Dave was "the one." Since I had always planned on getting my MBA, I thought what better way to really get to know each other than as study partners?"

As the pair progressed through their studies, Heather helping Dave with accounting, he helping her with marketing, romance blossomed. Both pushed ahead rapidly through the Program, often taking classes four nights a week. Dave set the pace to complete his degree during his two-year tour of duty at Devens with Heather anxious to graduate and be ready to ship out with Dave to his next assignment—as his bride.

After a year of courtship, Heather proposed a merger, but Dave professed to be a confirmed Army bachelor. Finally, it was down to D-Day, the last day in the MBA Program before graduation. Dave had been ready to propose for months, but had never found quite the right moment. Eventually he decided that Hanscom Air Force Base (where the couple had taken some of their courses) was the appropriate spot as Heather would never guess that a dedicated and long-time Army Officer would propose on an Air Force Base—of all places! As they walked down the hallway to deliver their final projects, Dave invited Heather into their former Federal Taxation classroom. Entering the room, Heather found Dave down on one knee. He proposed to her and presented a ring. After months of anticipation, Heather was completely caught off guard, but managed to accept the proposal. Two weeks later, the couple eloped to Lake Tahoe, NV.

With MBAs in hand, the Presses have travelled together to exotic ports of call including trips to Egypt, Fiji, and Australia and homes in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, Fort Leavenworth, KS, and Springfield, VA, where they presently live. Dave's next assignment will take them to Honolulu, Hawaii where he will embark on a new phase of his career as an assistant professor of Military Science at the University of Hawaii.

Dave says, "My MBA degree has opened doors that might otherwise not have been opened. I was selected for a nominative assignment in the Middle East as an engineer advisor and as the chief of the Installation Management Division (with a $50 Million budget) for a $6.6 Billion Army Program, and was selected to be the executive officer to the deputy chief of engineers (the number two general officer in the entire U.S. Army Corps of Engineers). Currently, I'm a battalion executive officer in a one of a kind Prime Power Engineer Battalion with subordinate units located throughout the world in 16 different time zones. The MBA degree has prepared me well for these jobs and all the responsibilities associated with each position."

Dave and Heather Press at their 1995 wedding.

Even with frequent relocation, Heather has found little difficulty advancing her career thanks to her MBA degree. "Once people see that MBA, your résumé goes to the top of the stack. I took two years off before taking my present job as a project controller for Boeing. Even with a two-year gap, they made me a great offer right away," she said. Heather's next career move is undecided at this time.

Although the Presses have much to show in professional accomplishments, their proudest achievement is their son, Steven, who was born a year after their wedding on April 15—Tax Day, of course!

Continuing Education Gains New Leadership With Appointment of Dr. Janet Castleman

Alumni and other adult students looking to continue their education will find a new advocate in Dr. Janet Castleman, the College's recently appointed director of Continuing Education. With a long-standing appreciation for the unique challenges of working professionals, Dr. Castleman looks forward to strengthening the bond between adult learners and the College through an expanded portfolio of educational resources tailored to their goals and busy schedules.

Dr. Janet Castleman

Commenting on the changing needs of adult students, she said, "I have great respect for CE students and am very sensitive to their needs. Most are working full-time, with families and many other responsibilities. As a group, they are busier than ever, confronting ongoing change and uncertainty in the business world. We need to assist students in meeting these demands in new ways. Innovations may include accelerated schedules, expanded Internet-based courses, certificate programs to provide job-related skills, and on-site corporate classes and training."

Dr. Castleman joins Western New England College from the University of New Haven where she was the director of Continuing Education. At Albertus Magnus College of New Haven, Dr. Castleman served as director of Academic Services for the College's Phoenix-based accelerated degree program for working adults. She has also served that institution in several administrative capacities and as an assistant professor of psychology. Her educational credentials include a bachelor of arts degree from Barnard College, Columbia University, and a master of arts and a doctoral degree in developmental psychology from the Catholic University of America.

Commenting on her appointment, Dr. Jerry Hirsch, provost and vice president for Academic Affairs remarked, "We are delighted to have found a person with Dr. Castleman's background and experience to help revitalize and reorganize our efforts in Continuing Education. Offering programs of value to adult learners was the original purpose for the establishment of our College. Dr. Castleman's appointment reflects our ongoing commitment to providing programs that are relevant to students throughout the stages of their lives."

Beyond curriculum offerings and alternative learning methods, Dr. Castleman intends to increase communication with the CE population in a variety of ways. She said, "Another important goal for Continuing Education is to help our students feel more a part of the Western New England College community. We'd like to establish an organization for evening students, and to provide a lounge area for them as well. In addition, the College has invaluable resources to offer CE students through career services and the alumni network. I also plan to develop a Continuing Education link from the College website, to provide "one-stop shopping" online for program information, applications, registration, job postings, announcements, and the like."

CE Week Launches New Alumni Outreach Effort

Getting to know our Continuing Education students before they become alumni is the focus of a joint Alumni Relations and Continuing Education outreach effort launched during CE Week last May.

From 5 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. Monday-Wednesday evenings, CE students were encouraged to "take a break before finals" at informal outdoor gatherings. Refreshments and giveaways were served up to help the students make the most of their limited time before class. "The gatherings are part of a concerted effort by the Alumni Association to reach out to this important constituency. We were very pleased to have the opportunity to introduce our organization to these students and look forward to sponsoring similar events in the future," commented Andrea Saari '96/G'00, alumni events coordinator.

Alumni gather to meet and greet Continuing Education Students during CE Week in May. Pictured (L-R) are Hayden Bradley '64, Debora Kelleher '94, Don Trudeau '70, Joy Poggi G'96, and Jeff Goulet '88.

Alumni-in-Admissions

BILL WALKER '61

Bill Walker '61

Every March, for the past 10 years, Bill Walker '61 grabbed brochures, displays, pens, and a Western New England College banner, and travelled from his home in Ocala to the west coast of Florida. After a couple of hours, he made the return trip–a little lighter, for he had handed out most of the literature to college bound students, their parents, and guidance counselors. The information he brought back with him has helped the Admissions Office with their recruitment efforts, for they will follow up with every inquiry he sent back with phone calls and more information specific to each student's needs.

Like so many of our Alumni-in-Admissions volunteers, Bill Walker has represented his alma mater at a college fair, helping to increase the awareness of Western New England College in places where our Admissions staff cannot easily recruit. At these fairs, high school students collect information on any number of colleges and ask questions of the representatives. Sometimes, a not-so-shy student may be engaged in a friendly conversation, allowing our alumni to share their positive experiences of their time at Western New England College. This personal attention often sparks even greater interest in the College, for it reflects the same personal approach staff and faculty use with students when they set foot on campus.

"I visited the campus in 1991 for my 30th reunion," stated Walker. "A fellow alumnus, Hank Marois G'71, suggested I get involved with the Alumni-in-Admissions program. I thought about it. Later that year, I was asked to join him at this fair. He trained me on site. The rest is history."

Bill Walker is retiring from the Alumni-in-Admissions program this year. We thank him and all of our volunteers for their time and dedication helping us to increase the awareness of Western New England College and the programs it offers.

If you would like to become an Alumni-in-Admissions volunteer, please contact Bill Campanella, Alumni Program Coordinator, at 800-962-6592 or e-mail wcampane@wnec.edu. Volunteers are particularly needed in the following areas: Long Island, New Jersey, greater Philadelphia, western New York, and Florida.

We recognize and thank the following alumni who attended college fairs this past spring:

Cheryl Fitzpatrick '73
Edward R. Murrow High School Brooklyn, NY
Carol Kriesberg '71
Pelham High School, Pelham, NY
Carol Laird '79
Ridgewood High School, Ridgewood, NJ
Kathy Lamourine '81
Tewksbury High School, Tewksbury, MA
Diane Miele '83
Columbia High School, Maplewood, NJ
Mark Petraske '88
Franklin High School, Somerset, NJ
Hunterdon Central Regional High School, Flemington, NJ
Jeff Roszman '77
Williamsville East High School, East Amherst, NY
Frasier Van Velsor '68
Salesianum School, Wilmington, DE
Bill Walker '61
East Lake High School, Tarpon Springs, FL
John Witzman '68
Salesianum School, Wilmington, DE

The 32nd Annual Alumni Golf Tournament

FRIDAY, MAY 26, 2000 • OAK RIDGE GOLF CLUB • FEEDING HILLS, MA

The 32nd Annual Alumni Golf Tournament took place this year on Friday, May 26, 2000 at Oak Ridge Golf Club in Feeding Hills, MA. We had a beautiful day. Dave Anderson '73 was the Honorary Chairperson of the tournament. Thank you to all who donated prizes and sponsorships. Over $3,000 was raised through raffles to benefit the Alumni Scholarship Endowment Fund.

Honorary Chair

Dave Anderson '73

Committee Members

Ryan Blair '96
John Dame '77
Youssef Fadel G'87
Jeff Goulet '88
Nick LaPier '90
Joy Poggi G'96

Special Thanks to Volunteers for the Day

Lori Hall '02
Tim St. James '99
Kevin Jandreau '79/G'81
Meg Kubera '01
Leslee Larrivee '99
Michael Lauzier '87
Celia Norcross '98
Kate Rinaldi '01
Janet Settembro G'82

Winners of the Tournament with a score of 60
Max Winkler Jr. '91
Max Winkler Sr.
Robert Winkler
Jim Winkler '93

Closest to the Pin
Brass Bookends courtesy of Yankee Casting Company—
Matt Trottier '96

Closest to the Pin
Red Sox Tickets courtesy of Rock 102-WAQY—
Jack Beaudry

Closest to the Line
Storage Box courtesy of PRN Corporation—Steve Iampietro

Men's Longest Drive
$80 Gift Certificate for golf courtesy of Ed Lindsay '78—
Matt Theulen

Women's Longest Drive
$80 Gift Certificate for golf courtesy of Ed Lindsay '78—
Patty Peltier '82

50/50 Raffle
George Moriarty '56

50/50 Raffle—Second Place
Norman Hill

Putting Contest Raffle
Al Kasper

Evaluation Raffle
Jim Winkler '93

Top: After a longstanding tradition of scoring second place at WNEC Alumni Golf Tournaments, the Winkler foursum enjoys victory! (L-R) Max Winkler Sr., Jim Winkler, Bob Winkler, and Max Winkler Jr. Congratulations!

Center: Golfers enjoy an on the course luncheon.

Bottom: Ralph Jensen, Jeff Goulet '88, Ronald Goulet '67, Youssef Fadel G'87 and Bill Currier pose with the BMW 528i. PRN Corporation donated this hole in one prize. Ralph, Youssef and Bill had the three closest to the pin scores which allowed them to take the chance at getting a hole in one to win the car plus a $35,000 cash prize.

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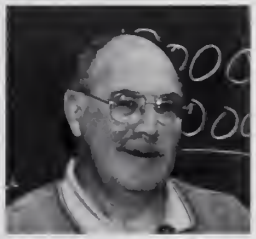

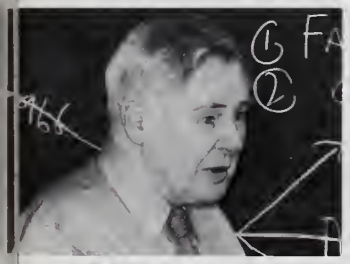

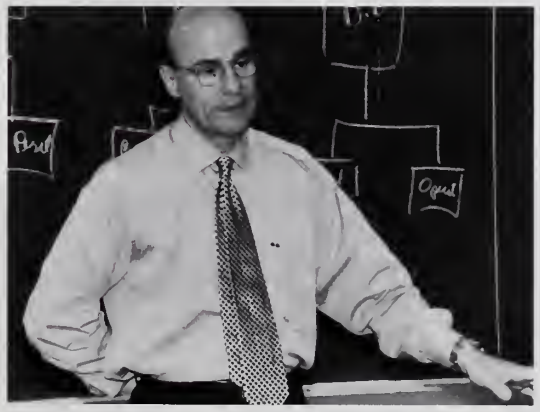

Clockwise from top left:

Bill Mahoney '85 shared his experience with Prof. Bill Ferris' Human Resource Management class.

Nick Fagioli '71 with Prof. Deborah Patterson's Introduction to Sociology class.

Bob Carnevale '68, trustee of Western New England College, offered insights to students in Prof. Tony Chelte's Business Strategy class.

Tim Crimmins Jr. '70, trustee of Western New England College, and president of Bank of Western Massachusetts, spoke to students in Prof. Hank Bazan's Organizational Theory class.

Norman Cartmill '50/G'61, trustee of Western New England College, addressed students in Prof. Hank Bazan's Structures of American Industry class.

Experience is the Best Teacher at Alumni Day 2000

On Tuesday, April 4, 2000, the Office of Alumni Relations held the Second Annual Alumni Day. Response from both students and faculty alike was excellent—saying that our alumni bring a wealth of information and experience to the classroom. Next year's Alumni Day is scheduled for Wednesday, April 4, 2001. Call Andrea Saari '96/G'00, alumni events coordinator, to sign up or for more information.

ALUMNI DAY PARTICIPANTS

ALUMNI

Laurence Brundrett G'79
Engineer, US Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Thomas Burton '70
President, Hampden Savings Bank

Daniel Bruno '97
Police Officer, Town of East Longmeadow

Robert Carnevale '68
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Palmer Goodell Insurance Agency

Norman Cartmill '50/G'61
Retired, Carnor, Inc.

Timothy Crimmins Jr. '70
President, Bank of Western Massachusetts

Nicholas Fagioli '71
Intensive Supervision Parole Officer, State of New Jersey Administrative Officer of Courts

Eric Griffin '92
Training Manager, Ernst & Young

Bob LeClerc '71
Regional OEM Sales Manager, Document and Knowledge Solutions, Hummingbird Inc.

William Mahoney '85
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Andrew Montagna '84
Account Executive, Wausau Insurance Companies

Kenneth Rickson '75
President, MML Investor Services

Richard Smola '78/G'84
Portfolio Manager, Lord Abbett Investment Services

Richard Tynan '81
Housing Specialist, State of Connecticut Judicial Department

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Henry Bazan
Professor of Management

Anthony Chelte
Professor of Management

Beth Elam
Assistant Professor of Marketing

Russell Fanelli
Professor of Management

William Ferris
Professor of Management

Alfred Ingham IV
Professional educator of criminal justice

Deb Patterson
Assistant Professor of Education

Anne Rice
Coordinator of Freshman Composition

Alumni Area Receptions

The Alumni Association is moving toward a national focus. This past year, we have held numerous receptions in regional locations with the intention of beginning area chapters. We have held receptions in New York City, Boston, and Arizona. You will see the results of our Cape Cod, Springfield, and Washington D.C., receptions in the next issue of the *Alumni Communicator*.

John Koutsoufis '88 (management) and Amy Smith '88/G'00 (marketing/MBA) at the NYC reception at the Chelsea Brewing Company.

Top: Kim Mac Leod '73 and Fred Brody '72 chat at the New York City Area Alumni Reception at the Chelsea Brewing Company on April 27.

Center (L): Caryn (Hochenberg) '90 and Greg '88 Mechaber, and Nancy Lohmann '91 share in the festivities at the Chelsea Brewing Company.

Center (R): Walter Bush '77 (management) and his brother Reggie Bush are all smiles at the Big Apple Reception in April.

Bottom: Donald Smith '74, Barry Carmen L'83, and Michelle Richardson '91 chat about future plans for the New York City Area Alumni Chapter.

NEW YORK CITY

The New York Area Alumni Chapter kicked off with a gathering on April 27, 2000, at the Chelsea Brewing Company, Chelsea Piers. Alumni from many years gathered to meet, catch up, learn about the changes on campus, and hear from their New York Area Chapter Chair, Michelle Richardson '91. To learn more about the New York Area Chapter, please call Andrea Saari '96/G'00 at the Office of Alumni Relations at 800-962-6592, e-mail alumwnec@wnec.edu, or e-mail Michelle at richardson@fordham.edu.

BOSTON

On May 4, 2000, about 70 alumni gathered at Jillian's of Boston. Mike Susco '70, Alumni Association President, talked about starting a Boston Area Chapter. We were fortunate that the Boston Area now has a tri-chair team of Dan McLaughlin '96, Kara Phillips '96, and Jenn Paquin '96. The chairs are planning numerous events throughout the year. Stay tuned to see what they have planned for the Boston Area.

"The seeds were planted in the minds of every person in attendance that Western New England College can be a resource for you after you leave the campus. And that we are attempting to bring the College to them through these local alumni chapters, showcasing for them the resources and connections that could develop by staying in touch with Western New England College and the local chapter," said Dan McLaughlin '96.

"It's great to see who is Boston," said Jennifer Paquin '96, Boston Area Chapter Chair, "The reception is a wonderful networking opportunity and while I was pleased with the turnout, I'd like to see more alumni attend. In the future, I would like to see our chapter develop a relocation program for graduating seniors and others moving to Boston in mid-career, and networking events specialized by fields."

(L-R) Mattie Baymon, Dick '67 and Marianne Coulthurst, Bill and Barb Campanella, and George Baymon '73 share news of the College at an alumni gathering in Tuscon, AZ.

ARIZONA

An Arizona reception was held on February 24, 2000 at the Hidden Valley Inn in Tuscon. Bill Campanella, alumni program coordinator, and his wife, Barb Campanella, the College's director of Marketing and Communications, enjoyed meeting with alumni and their spouses from the Tuscon area.

Class of '63 Reunion

Life-long friends and Class of '63 graduates Wallace Kountze and David Trombley met on campus last summer and decided they would put together a reunion for their classmates. It had been 12 years since a formal gathering had taken place. On May 18, 2000, a reunion took place on campus and 14 members of the class attended. Plans will be formulated during the fall for another gathering of the Class of 1963. If you are interested in participating in the planning, contact Kara Kapinos '87/G'89 director of Alumni Relations at 800-962-6592.

Top: Members of the Class of 1963 pose with Dr. Caprio H'00 for a photo. This is the first time that the class has had a reunion since their 25th, twelve years ago. The group gathered for a luncheon, tour of campus, and a unexpected surprise birthday cake for Julia Walag and George Desrosiers. Standing back row: David Trombley, Ed Rogalski, Jack Cunningham, Bob Traggio, Everett Ladd, and Wally Kountze. Standing Front Row: Don Graves, Ernie Gelinas, Dr. Anthony Caprio H'00, George Desrosiers, Ken Cardwell, and Gordon Perkins. Kneeling/Sitting: Bill Hayes, Julia Walag, and Michael Bonavita.

Bottom, Clockwise from bottom right:

Dr. Anthony Caprio H'00, president, shares information about the College with Don Graves and Wally Kountze.

Class officers for the Class of 1963 now and then

Now (L-R): Julia Walag, Secretary; Wallace Kountze, Vice President; and Bill Hayes, Class President. Then (L-R): Julia Walag, Secretary; Wallace Kountze, Vice President; and Bill Hayes, Class President.

The pen is mightier than the application fee.

Do you know of a relative, friend, or neighbor who will be entering college in the next year or two as a full-time undergraduate student and would be interested in attending Western New England College? With the signature of an alumnus/a of the College on the application form, the application fee for the prospective student is waived.

Tell us about a prospective student you know.

Name of candidate

Mailing address

Phone number

Nearest major city

Present school and grade

Academic interests

Extracurricular interests

Your name Class

Mail the completed form to:
Admissions Office
Western New England College
1215 Wilbraham Road
Springfield, MA 01119
Fax: 413-782-1777

Senior Class Banquet Unites Students from Past and Present

On April 9, 2000, the Alumni Association held a banquet for the senior class. The event marked the formal welcome for the Class of 2000 into the Alumni Association. Seniors learned about the Association's events, benefits, and services, and had a opportunity to meet the current leadership.

Left, top to bottom:

Julie Brisnett, Geoff Seber, Amanda Burge, Rebecca Senecal, and Jayme Pratt reminisce about their four years spent together.

Lorianne Fallavollita, Anne-Marie Gravel, Michelle Nadeau, Beth Wentzle, Amanda Burge, and Heather Brunelle are all ears at the Senior Class Banquet.

Erik Porter, treasurer of the Class of 2000, and Shannon Phillips, secretary of the Class of 2000, enjoy the Senior Banquet on April 9, 2000.

Right: Ray Bladwin and Matt Paris are dressed for success.

Alumni Help Honor Retiring Professor Henry Bazan

Over 160 people were on hand to bid farewell to long-time School of Business professor and founder of Golden Bears Football, Henry Bazan on May 17, 2000. Pictured here are standing (L-R) Dr. Dana Carton, wife of the President; Thomas Burton '70, chairman of the Board of Trustees; and Dr. Stanley Kowalski, dean of the School of Business. Seated (L-R) Dr. Anthony Caprio H'00, president of the College; Mrs. Josephine Bazan G'79, Prof. Henry Bazan, and Mrs. Carol Kowalski, wife of Dean Stanley Kowalski.

Back Row (L-R): Ed Whitley '86, Don Della Guistina '84, Chuck Africano '82, Coach Robert Skelton, Dan McGinnis '86, Mike Gallagher '93, Dr. Mike Theulen, and Dr. Anthony Caprio H'00.

Standing (L-R): Karl Monteiro '82, Steve Sugarmeyer '78, Dwayne Dawson, Ted Schwamb '76/G'80, and Gary LaJoie.

Kneeling (L-R): Ryan Warme, Derek Waller, Jenn Mikulec (manager), John Taylor '99, Pete Tsperkas '98, Dave Osiecki '98, and Mike Mederios '97.

Seated (L-R): Marc Boorschstein, Chris Banas, Anthony Sala, Jayson LaPaglia, Kevin Fleenor, and Ed Verrochi.

25th Alumni Wrestling Reunion

The year 2000 marks the 25th Anniversary of Wrestling at Western New England College. On May 6 and 7, Coach Robert Skelton planned a weekend of events for current and past wrestlers. There was an alumni match, dinner dance, and Sunday brunch. Archival photo collages were displayed and alumni reminisced on the history of WNEC Wrestling.

Above:

Dan McGinnis '86 relives his wrestling days posing for the camera.

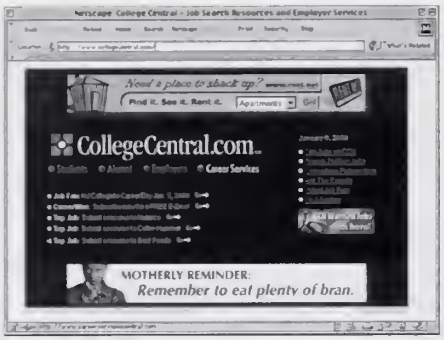
At left:

Top left (L-R): John Taylor '99, Coach Skelton, Dave Osrecki '98, and Mike Mederios '97

Top right: Steve Sugarmeyer (first captain) and wife, Terry, sister of Rick Hurley (wrestling teammate)

Bottom (L-R): LTC Charles Africano '82, Karl Monteiro '82, and Olga Monteiro

NETWORK RESOURCES AVAILABLE ONLINE



COLLEGE CENTRAL WEBSITE

How many times has something happened in your job prompting you to say, "I wish someone had told me about that"? Was there some general career advice that you wish someone had given to you before you started working? Here's your opportunity to help students and alumni in similar situations address these and other questions.

Through mentoring, shadowing, and sponsoring internships, among others, you can help both current and future alumni of Western New England College further explore their chosen careers and help them decide if those choices are right for them. This wonderful networking opportunity is available online through College Central. In just minutes, you can become part of a fast growing network of Western New England College alumni who serve as resources for career exploration.

Who you are and what you do can make a difference to current students and alumni. Become part of our career network today.

JUST FOLLOW THESE FIVE EASY STEPS:

1. **Call the Office of Alumni Relations at 800-962-6592 for your password.**
2. **Go to www.collegecentral.com/wnec/wnec.cfm**
3. **Click on "Network with Alumni," then "Post Alumni Profile."**
4. **Enter your password.**
5. **Click on "Add Your Profile" to Alumni Connections, and then add your personal profile.**

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Request yours today! Call 800-523-7666, and mention priority code DPO5 or contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 800-962-6592.

Volunteer Spotlight:

Q: What is the value to you of being involved in the Alumni Association?

Amy Smith '88/G'00

AMY SMITH '88/G'00

Amherst, MA

Vice President of the Alumni Association; Coordinator of the National Chapters Program; Marketing Manager, HMS Holiday Marketing Services; Enjoys rollerblading, reading, travelling, and spending time with friends.

A: "I have met some wonderful people with whom I have very good friendships now. My volunteering has provided me with some good business contacts. It keeps me connected with a place that I've loved since I arrived there."

AMELIA NEILS '78

Springfield, MA

Past President of the Alumni Association; Phonathon Team; Retired; Second Career: Assistant to the Director of Information Technology, Western New England College; Volunteers with the Italian Women's Club, NYNEX, St. Cecilia's Church, Polish Club, and Polonia (to promote scholarships).

A: "It's been an opportunity for me to renew old friendships. It's fun to find out where other alumni are and what they are doing."

Christopher Cebula '91

CHRISTOPHER CEBULA '91

Shrewsbury, MA

Skookum Awards Team; Senior Associate Director of Admissions, Massachusetts College of Pharmacy; Volunteers in church activities; enjoys gardening, and neighborhood and family activities.

A: "My involvement gives me a sense of pride for my alma mater. It's a way for me to give something back."

Neville Bogle '75/G'81

NEVILLE BOGLE '75/G'81

East Longmeadow, MA

Past President of the Alumni Association; Past Alumni Representative to the Board of Trustees; Alumni Giving Committee member; Manager of Finance, The Traveler's Insurance Company; Volunteers with Lutheran Social Services of New England; trains teens in terms of inner city development.

A: "I have been involved for 20 years. After graduating, I wanted to give something back to this College for allowing me to come to this country and receive an education. I have been very fortunate. Former Dean Mulcahy played a major role in helping me adjust by being there for me and encouraging my involvement."

Stephanie Sule '95

STEPHANIE SULE '95

Manchester, CT

Awards Team and Marketing Team; Director of Social Services, Chelsea Place; Enjoys walking with her dog, and taking day trips.

A: "The school has been very good to me. I'd like to help out in any way I can for those still at the College. I also see my involvement as a social thing. It gives me a chance to get reacquainted with those I knew when I was in school, and to meet new people."

Donald Trudeau '70

DONALD TRUDEAU '70

Enfield, CT

Homecoming Team; Senior Procurement Analyst, Pratt & Whitney; Volunteers with the Special Olympics and Westfield River Clean-Up.

A: "Volunteering gives me personal gratification. I enjoy helping others, and like giving back to WNEC."

New Staff Members Boost Development Efforts

Finding the financial support to keep a Western New England College education attainable for students today and tomorrow is the important work of the Office of Development. With two new staff members in place, the Office now has the additional resources to increase its alumni, foundation, and corporate solicitation efforts. When you see our literature in your mailbox or answer a call from one of our students, please remember what's really on the line—a quality, private education that will the open doors of opportunity for students with backgrounds similar to yours.

Left: James Rich, director of foundation relations, and right: Kristin Weaver '97, annual giving coordinator

JAMES RICH

James Rich of Springfield, MA, was appointed director of Foundation Relations for the College. He will be responsible for coordinating private foundation, government, and corporate grant opportunities.

Commenting on Rich's appointment, Beverly Dwight, executive director of Development said, "Jim Rich is a wonderful addition to the Western New England College Office of Development staff. As director of foundation relations, he brings a broad range of experiences, the most notable being success in program development and grant writing. In addition to that, Jim has a keen sense of the importance of a comprehensive development program."

Rich joins Western New England College with extensive experience in fundraising for nonprofit organizations. He has worked with the Springfield Symphony, WFCR-FM public radio, Northampton Community Music Center of which he is also a member of the board of directors, and Look Park in Northampton. He spent seven years at the nonprofit New World Records, leaving as managing director.

He holds two bachelor's degrees, one in history from Oberlin College and one in music from Oberlin College Conservatory.

Jim Rich can be contacted at 413-782-1373, e-mail jrich@wnec.edu.

KRISTIN WEAVER '97

As annual giving coordinator, Kristin Weaver of Westfield, MA, is responsible for alumni annual giving for the College. These gifts are used to support undergraduate, graduate, law, and Golden Bear Club initiatives.

A 1997 alumna of the College herself, Weaver is responsible for cultivating gifts for the Annual Giving Campaign. She has previously served the College's Development Office as senior advancement associate coordinating student workers for our annual phonathon. Prior to joining the Western New England College staff, she held administrative posts at Harvard University and Colgate University.

Beverly Dwight is pleased to have Weaver take on her newest role for Development, she said, "Kristin, both as an alumna and formerly as our student phonathon supervisor for alumni annual giving, is a tremendous asset to our team. She brings with her a sense of enthusiasm that is engaging and a level of professionalism that is very consistent with all Western New England College alumni. We look forward to working together with Kristin as she grows our Alumni Annual Giving program."

Kristin Weaver can be contacted at 413–782–1631, or kweaver@wnec.edu.

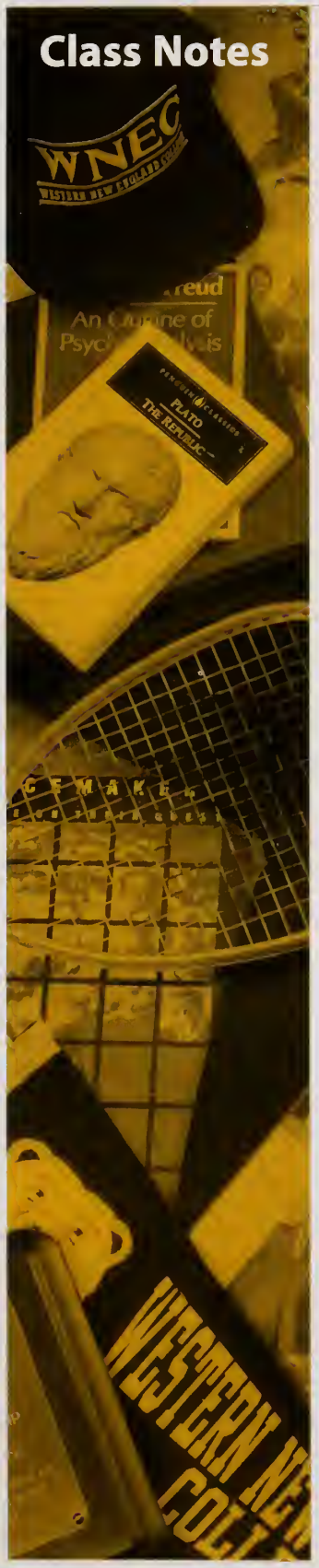
WHY DO ALUMNI SUPPORT WESTERN NEW ENGLAND COLLEGE?

Alumni are motivated to make charitable gifts for many reasons. You might decide to give because:

- you want to make a difference—for a student, a professor, or someone else who will benefit from your gift.
- you want to create a memorial to someone you love—by naming a scholarship, a room in a building, or one of the many other naming opportunities available.
- you have an interest in a particular program and you want to see it grow and succeed.
- you are grateful for what Western New England College gave you and you want to give back.
- you want to honor someone through a gift that celebrates.
- you are a leader in the community and you want to support higher education.
- you want to challenge others to give.
- giving is part of your financial or estate planning and you want to benefit from the tax advantages.
- your peers have given, and you want to do your part.

Contact Beverly Dwight, executive director of Development, at 413-796-2210 to make your contribution to the College—or simply return the pledge envelope in this magazine.

Class Notes



Become a Class Correspondent

The following classes need a class correspondent: 1962, 1963, 1964, 1966, 1967, 1972, 1975, 1997. If you are interested, please call Andrea Saari '96/G'00, alumni events coordinator, at 413-782-1557, 800-962-6592 or e-mail asaari@ wnec.edu. This is a fun way to become involved with the Alumni Association and to keep in touch with your former classmates!

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LAURENCE W. DUCLOS (management) has been named the 2000 Irish Elk of the Year. He is a second generation Irish-American who traces his roots back to his maternal grandfather and paternal grandmother who immigrated from Ireland. He taught in the Chicopee Public Schools for 32 years and was also the owner of K&L Collection and Adjustments Service for 25 years. In 1992, he retired from both. He has been married for 46 years to Katherine (Ruska) Duclos and is the father of 5 children. He was honored at the Springfield Lodge of Elks #61 Annual Irish Dinner Dance on March 11, 2000, and at the Irish Stag Night on March 15.

CHARLES L. HALLER (mechanical engineering) writes "I have retired from the City of Holyoke Gas & Electric Department after 40 years of service. My retirement date was March 27, 1998. My wife and I are spending our retirement travelling, at our vacation home in Wells, Maine, and with our children. Retirement is great and we are enjoying life."

JAMES A. MACK (MBA) recently received from Michigan Technological University, the Board of Control Silver Medal. The Silver Medal recognizes both personal and professional achievements and honors individuals as shining examples to MTU graduates. Richard is the president and chief executive officer of Cambrex Corporation in East Rutherford, NJ. Cambrex Corp. manufactures and sells a brand line of specialty chemicals and makes chemicals that cater to customer specifications.

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Robert H. Carnevale '68

ROBERT H. CARNEVALE (management) will serve as the chairman of the first Children's Miracle Network Telethon for the new millennium. Bob and his company, Palmer Goodell Insurance Agency Inc., have been longtime supporters of the Children's Miracle Network at Baystate Health-Systems. He is active in the community serving as chairman of the Springfield Area Council for Excellence and as a member of the Board of Trustees of Western New England College.

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GUY E. LITHWIN (psychology) writes, "Our 30th year reunion is coming September 16. Let us all make plans to attend the activities and let your ideas be known!"

ANTHONY LUCKI (marketing) has been appointed president of the Education Group for Harcourt, Inc. in Orlando, FL. Prior to joining Harcourt, Lucki was vice president at McGraw-Hill School Publishing.

TIM CRIMMINS, TOM BURTON, and MIKE SUSCO are working with the Office of Alumni Relations to plan a special 30th reunion for the class.

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STEPHEN R. CHIACCHIA (accounting) was featured in the *Ware River News* story on February 24, 2000, about his company, Stephen R. Chiacchia & Co. For the past 20 years, he has provided the Quabog Valley with professional accounting and tax services.

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KENNETH E. CANTRELL (electrical engineering) has been named program manager for Worcester Polytechnic Institute's client-server program, which is based at WPI's MetroWest campus in Southboro. Kenneth will manage the client-server programs student admission and career search strategies.

PHILLIP J. HOUSER (marketing) writes, "I am the president of our family business–Houser Buick GMC Hyundai–Mitsubishi in Springfield. My wife and I have two sons, Peter, 17, and David, 15."

Class Notes

[illegible] E [illegible] TREMBLAY (English) writes, "After spending the last seven years in Virginia Beach, VA, where I was employed as a project engineer by Johnson Controls, Inc and Centex Construction, I have recently relocated back to Richmond, VA, and accepted a position as project manager for Noel Systems, Inc. I have a 20 year old son, Nicholas, and a cute dog named Bandit."

JOHN R WARNER (MBA) is the dean of the School of Engineering Technologies at Springfield Technical Community College. He was recently honored by the National Coalition for Advanced Technology Centers when he was named president-elect of the non-profit organization.

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WILLIAM M. PIERCE JR. (finance) has been elected president, chief executive officer, and director of Awane Bank. He joined Awane in 1997 as chief operating officer and treasurer. He resides in Peterborough, NH, with his wife, Laura, and their four children. He is president of the Peterborough Lions Club, Noble Grand of the Peterborough Odd Fellows and a member of various Masonic affiliations.

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GERALD P. CAPALDI (marketing) has been a board member of the Frozen Food Association of New England since 1998. He has served on the convention and scholarship committees. He lives in Marlboro, MA, with his wife, Anna, and has four children, Matthew, Michael, Christina, and Christopher.

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CATHLEEN M MCAULIFFE MOYNIHAN (psychology) has been promoted to vice president, learning and development for CGU Insurance in Boston, MA. She will provide direction for CGU's expanding training and associate development initiatives. She has been with the company since January 1994, providing human resource support to CGU's Southern New England region and IT division in Foxborough, MA.

Denise A. (Aubin) Reagan '78 in her regalia for the Elon College inauguration on September15, 1999.

DENISE A. (AUBIN) REAGAN (sociology) represented Western New England College at the Elon College inauguration on September 15, 1999.

WILLIAM J. RITTER JR. (MBA) accepted the position of vice president/commercial lending at Chicopee Savings Bank. He brings over 25 years of banking experience to the position.

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THOMAS E. DWYER (accounting) was named controller at Balise Motors. Previously, he served as the company's assistant controller. Thomas has been with Balise for 15 years.

MICHAEL J. NETKOVICK (English) is a fifth grade teacher at the Clover Street Elementary School in Windsor, CT. He was featured in the Manchester, CT, *Journal Inquirer* on Monday, December 13, 1999. Prior to becoming a teacher he was a public relations director for EnergyNorth, a New Hampshire natural gas utility for nearly 12 years.

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MARK W. BARAN (accounting) and his wife, Pamela, (finance '90, MBA '99) had a baby boy in March. His name is Michael. Michael joins his older brother, Matthew, age 3. In addition, Mark has been named vice president of Westfield Bank. He has been an employee of the bank since 1998 and is a member of the commercial lending team.

MICHAEL MISHOL (marketing) was recently promoted to director, affiliate operations at ESPN, Inc. Mike has worked at ESPN for nearly 15 years in various sales and finance positions. He and his wife, Julienne, are also proud to announce the birth of their fourth child, Nicholas Robert, in March of 2000. Their 9 pound 15 ounce linebacker was welcomed home by sisters Jacqueline, 7, and Allison, 2, plus big brother Michael, 4. The family resides in Southington, CT.

LINDA A. (SALVON) SLEEPER (social work) was named marketing and customer relations coordinator at People's Bank of Holyoke, MA.

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MAUREEN A BURNS (psychology) spoke at the January 2000 meeting of the Belchertown (MA) Parent Advisory Council for Excellence in Education. The topic was a Review of Standardized Psychological and Educational Testing in particular with respect to students with special educational needs. Maureen is the school psychologist for the Belchertown Elementary Level School and has served in that position for two years.

DENNIS C. KEEFE (MBA) has joined Woronoco Savings Bank of Westfield, MA, as vice president and commercial lender. He was formerly vice president of commercial and real estate lending at Fleet Bank.

LINDA M. NORTHUP VITRO (psychology) writes, "I am in the middle of my second year, of a two-year term, as president of the Agawam Chamber of Commerce and am preparing to become the president of the Agawam Rotary Club for 2000-2001. This year the honor of becoming a Paul Harris Fellow was bestowed upon me by the Rotary District #7890. I can still be found working at Northup Electrical Contractor in Agawam, our family business. In my spare time I enjoy playing golf with my husband, Tom."

JOHN J. TURGEON (accounting) joined other representatives of the Connecticut Society of Certified Public Accountants in volunteering to answer pledge calls during Connecticut Public Television's Annual "Wintertime Pledge Campaign."

John is the Northeast Campus Recruiting Leader for the Assurance and Business Advisory Services Practice at PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Hartford. He is currently serving as a board liaison to both the CPA society's Public Relations, and Management of Accounting Practice committees. He is a member of the American Institute of CPAs and the Human Resources Association.

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STEVEN J. BELDEN (electrical engineering) and Anne (Taliareni) Belden (finance '85) announce the birth of their second son, Shawn Matthew, born on April 16, 2000. He joins an older brother Scott, 4. The family lives in North Billerica, MA.

WILLIAM J. CORBETT (MBA) is the executive director at Cooperative Production and has spent the last 25 years working to improve the lives of individuals with developmental disabilities. He has been working with Cooperative Production for 11 years. He was featured in an article in the *Taunton Daily Gazette* on January 11, 2000.

CHRISTOPHER S. DALY (marketing) has been named director of individual giving at Public Radio Station WFCR in Amherst, MA. He has been a member of the station's staff since 1989.

LYNN M. (PERRYMAN) GRANDE (computer science) has been working for General Dynamics in Taunton, MA, for 12 years.

LESLIE R. LAWRENCE (MBA) has joined the Springfield Enterprise Center (SEC) at Springfield Technical Community College. She has been appointed director of special projects at the SEC. Leslie has been an important part of the college's capital campaign for the SEC, and is currently organizing a series of informative events for women entrepreneurs in the Pioneer Valley.

IRVING M. WALKER JR. (MBA accounting concentration, MS in accounting '86) has been promoted to the position of controller of Park West Bank and Trust Company. He joined Westbank in 1985 as an accounting supervisor and was subsequently promoted to accounting officer. Irving has been a teacher at the American Institute of Banking for many years and in April of 1999 was named Teacher of the Year.

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CHARLENE (DOWNES) METCALF (accounting) writes "Hi Classmates! Just wanted to remind everyone that the year 2000 marks 15 years since our graduation from WNEC. This is a great reason to return for Homecoming on September 15th. Recruit your friends and plan to spend some time on campus seeing what's new, watching football, and remembering the good times. Hope to see you all there!

PAMELA (HUFF) KEOUGH (quantitative methods, MBA marketing '90) and her husband, Mark, welcomed a daughter on October 4, 1999. Kerry Nicole weighed 6 lbs., 13 oz. and was 18 1/2 inches long. Older sister Kendall is 2 years old. Pam is an internal audit manager for General Reinsurance in Stamford, CT. The Keough's live in Wilton, CT.

BETH (BERINSTEIN) DWORKIN (marketing) and her husband, David, had a baby boy, Nathan Joel, on April 30, 1999. He weighed 8 lbs., 12 oz. The family lives in West Hartford, CT.

STEVEN A. MASSUCCI (economics, '88 MBA finance management) recently met professional, experience, and exam requirements to add financial and technological designations to his credentials and résumé. Steven is the principal at Massucci and Associates.

DEBORA (RECTOR) KAY (finance) and her husband, John, announce the arrival of their son, John Pilkington Kay on December 21, 1999. Debora is a production planner for Unilever Cosmetics International. The Kays live in Kinnelon, NJ.

CYNTHIA REGNIER (mechanical engineering) recently received a masters degree in business administration from the Simmons Graduate School of Management in Boston, MA. She received academic distinction and was awarded the Dean's Scholarship Award for Professional Achievement.

CHRISTOPHER C. ST. GEORGE (mechanical engineering) married Mary Murphy at Sacred Heart Church in Springfield. Christopher is an engineer for Workplace Solutions in West Springfield and Mary is a teacher for the Springfield Public School System.

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PAULA A. DESROBERTS (management, MBA '93) has been named as marketing/education director at the Community Foundation of Western Massachusetts.

TRACEY A. (DEFORGE) MCKETHAN (finance) married James McKethan at the Mill on the River in South Windsor, CT. Tracey is a practice manager for New Milford Medical Group in New Milford, CT. James is a vice president with Allied Domecq in Westport, CT.

WILLIAM E. PREYE (MS accounting) is now an accountant with Meyers Brothers, certified public accountants of Longmeadow, MA. He was previously employed at Corbin and Tapases in West Springfield.

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Kyle Campbell Allen

JUSTINA (RENY) ALLEN (CIS) and her husband, Michael, welcomed their son, Kyle Campbell on January 7, 2000.

WILLIAM B. BATCHELOR (management) has been promoted to vice president of sales and marketing for All Season Services, Inc. in Braintree MA. William is responsible for managing All Seasons' overall sales and marketing strategies, new business development activities, and training programs. He has held the position of director of sales and marketing since joining the company in 1998. William and his family reside in Holliston, MA.

JOHN J. CALABRESE (general engineering) was promoted to director of quality at MEI.

THOMAS W. DEVLIN (BS in law enforcement) was awarded the Massachusetts State Police Medal of Life Saving by Colonel John DiFava. This award bestows recognition upon sworn police personnel who undertake significant actions in the saving of another life. Trooper Devlin is married to the former Nancy Peterson. They have three children.

BRENDA M. (FETHERSTON) HALL (finance) and her husband, Jaime, announce the birth of their twins, Jenna Marie and Carter Hames on October 5, 1999. They reside in Alpharetta, GA, outside of Atlanta. Brenda is now a stay-at-home mom enjoying all the excitement of their new additions!

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JENNIFER L. (COOK HORNUNG) MORRISON (marketing) recently joined the group of community association managers who have earned the Professional Community Association Manager (PCAM) designation from the Community Association Institute. Jennifer resides in North Attleboro, MA, with her husband, David, and two sons.

ANNETTE J. (PRAUSE) SEAMAN (marketing) writes, "I am currently staying at home raising our three children, ages 7, 6, and 5 and I'm also the Mayor of our Township, a planning board member, and I've just been appointed to the Lutheran Nursery School board as well. And when my husband, a state trooper, is off on the weekdays I substitute teach. I also coach kindergarten soccer. This is my fourth season. It's very enjoyable to see how quickly they learn from the beginning of the season to the end."

CARL G. STILES (mechanical engineering) writes, "In January 2000, I started a new position as the director of Student Life at Fairleigh Dickinson University in Teaneck, NJ, having moved down from Vermont where I spent five years as the director of Student Activities & Intramural Programs at Green Mountain College and then three years as the director of Recruitment and Worker's Compensation at Killington Ski Resort. The new job is great and encompasses a wide range of responsibilities including student activities, student union management, multi-cultural affairs, Greek affairs, leadership education, student government, commuter student services, and I can be reached through my office or my e-mail (work: STILES@mailbox.fdu.edu or home CGSTILES@earthlink.net)."

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CANDACE H. (PERRY) FITZEK (MBA finance management) has joined Webster Financial Corporation as director of organizational development. She brings more than 18 years experience in strategic, business, and financial management and organizational planning at financial firms to her new position. She will lead Webster's merger and acquisition integration related activities.

DOUG MORRIS (mechanical engineering) currently works and resides in the state of Minnesota and is working for Fisher-Rosemount, a division of Emerson Electric.

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DONALD J. COREY (general business) married Kimberley Vercollone at St. Stephen's Church in Boston. Donald is the owner of Blanchard Liquors in Marshfield and Hyannis, and Kimberley is a legal assistant.

JOSEPH E. GAUL (general business, '93 MBA) has been appointed to vice president commercial pump division at Taco Inc. His responsibilities include the direction and management of all the activities of the Commercial Pump Division. In addition, he is responsible for all buying, planning, manufacturing, engineering, and production activities. Joseph is a member of the American Production and Inventory Control Society.

DONALD A. KUCZARSKI (MBA finance management) is now with Greylock Federal Credit Union as the vice president/commercial loans. He has been an integral part of the area's corporate community the last eight years as vice president/corporate lending for the First Massachusetts Bank and their ownership predecessors BankBoston and MultiBank West. Donald and his wife, Lisa, have a seven year old son and reside in Pittsfield, MA.

KIM R. (HARWOOD) WHALEN (accounting) has been promoted to partner at Smith, Watson, and Company LLP. She specializes in financial planning, financial reporting, and corporate and individual tax.

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MARY (DOWNES) ALLARD (general business) and her husband, Jay, had a baby girl, Lindsay Margaret, on August 22, 1999. They have been married for five years and live in Longmeadow, MA.

PAMELA L. BARAN (finance, MBA General '99) and her husband MARK W. BARAN (accounting) recently had a baby boy in March. His name is Michael. Michael joins his older brother Matthew, 3.

AUDREY L. (MCDONALD) COONAN (psychology) writes, "Our first child was born October 5, 1999. Her name is Taylor Mary. I am a senior customer care specialist at UNUM Provident Corporation where I adjudicate psychiatric disability claims.

JOAN M. (REILLY) FISHER (marketing) and her husband, Jaime, have announced the birth of their second child, Kyle James, who was born on February 13, 2000. He was welcomed home by his big brother, Luke who is 1. The family has recently moved to Glen Rock, NJ. Joan is staying home with the boys, while Jaime is a commodities trader in NYC. Joan's e-mail is fishstx2@aol.com.

NOREEN MICKIEWICZ-HAYES (general business) has joined Borawski Insurance of Northampton, MA, as employee benefits manager.

EILEEN M. MORIN (accounting) has been promoted to manager at Aubrey, Dixon, Riley & Turgeon, certified public accountants.

ROBERTA PAGE (MBA) has been reappointed by Governor Paul Cellucci to a five-year term on the Springfield Technical Community College Board of Trustees. Roberta is the owner of Integrated Marketing Communications, a consulting firm providing government and public relations, strategic planning, and marketing for corporate and small businesses. She is also the president of Page One Productions, which manages and promotes musical artists and groups, in addition to planning and producing corporate special events.

SUSANNE M. (DACRUZ) PHELAN (marketing) has joined Germantown Telephone Company, Inc. as marketing manager. She previously worked for Taconic Telephone in Chatham.

BRIAN S. TAIT (management) married Leslie Renee LaRoy on September 25, 1999, at the First Baptist Church in Newport, RI. Brian is a sales representative at Clarke Distributors in Keene, NH. Leslie is a sales and technical project coordinator by Roymal, Inc. in Newport.

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DAVID A. DIPIERO (marketing) married Diane Stoner at the United Methodist Church of Enfield. David is employed by BankBoston. Diane is employed by Country Day School.

DIANE M. (SANDBERG) JOHNSON (electrical engineering) writes "My husband Jeff and I (married June 19, 1993) were blessed with our second child, Brittany Marie, on August 19, 1999. Her older brother, Brandon, turned three years old on February 3, 2000. It has been very busy between family and starting my new job as an instrumentation engineer with the Boeing Company here at Stennis

Space Center in Mississippi. We live on the Gulf Coast (Diamondhead, MS) about an hour east of New Orleans, LA, and thoroughly enjoy the warmer climate with our boat and Sea-Doo's out on the river."

DAVID W. KAWALEC (MBA) married Claire Christopherson at St. Mary's Church in Longmeadow, MA. David is a financial analyst with Kollmorgen in Northampton, MA. Claire is a financial analyst for Unicare in Springfield.

JAMES MONTEMAYOR (finance) was promoted to vice president at Westfield Bank of Westfield. James joined the bank in 1996 and has been responsible for commercial business development in the East Longmeadow, MA, branch since then.

YVONNE M. SKIBA (accounting) received a master's degree from American International College in Springfield.

LEON E. TOTTEN IV (English) is working on a new record and is still playing all the time. He is now writing a column again every couple of weeks for distribution via www.leetotten.com/ramblings.

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WILLIAM J. AGNEW III (finance) married Janet Reinknecht on October 23, 1999, in a ceremony at St. Cecilia's Church in Wilbraham. William is a distribution manager for Cort Furniture in Boston. Janet is a senior benefit consultant for Arthur J. Gallagher in Boston.

DOUGLAS W. DIANO (marketing) married JENNIFER (CARTER) DIANO '94 (accounting) on May 22, 1999 in Newport, RI. Doug is the vice president of sales and marketing for Cristoline Company in North Kingston, RI. Dianne is the financial analyst for the City of Newport, RI, and is a CPA.

TAMMY L. DOUCETTE (psychology) recently received her masters degree in Special Education from American International College. She works at Brightside and volunteers as a rape crisis counselor. She lives in Springfield with her 16-month-old son, Brandyn.

MICHAEL MATTHEWS (MBA) heads Berkshire Wireless, Inc. which is a full service wireless facilities and equipment integration firm in Pittsfield, MA. The company has received a second round of financing to meet its growth needs. Michael and his wife, Michele, have three children, Jacob, Morgan, and Quinn.

PHILIP L. MIREAULT (MBA finance management) has been promoted to vice president, compliance and community reinvestment officer for Granite Bank. He is responsible for the bank's compliance with federal consumer-protection and civil rights laws and regulations and the Community Reinvestment Act. He lives in Keene, NH, with his wife, Judith, and daughter, Alyson.

JAMES V. MONOPOLI (MBA) has been appointed to president and chief operating officer at Quantech Services in Shrewsbury, MA.

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KEITH E. HAGERTY (marketing) is a financial consultant with Merrill Lynch Private Client Group in White Plains NY. He has been with Merrill Lynch for four years now and has recently purchased a condominium in nearby Larchmont, NY.

JOHN HANNA (BS in law enforcement) received authorization by the Certified Financial Planner Board of Standards to use the CFT certification marks CFP and Certified Financial Planner, in accordance with certification and license requirements.

DONALD J. MAIHOS (BS in law enforcement) retired in September of 1999 as a Danvers patrolman. He is a lifelong resident of Danvers, MA, and joined the department in 1967 at the age of 23. Donald is married to Lindsey Maihos, the police department's crime analyst. They have four children and 10 grandchildren.

MICHELLE R. (LALANCETTE) MANNING (human resource management, MBA '99) married ROBERT MANNING (MBA financial management '99) in Feeding Hills, MA, on February 5, 2000. Michelle is the assistant director of admissions at Western New England College, and Robert is a production manager at H.P. Hood, Inc.

JENNIFER L. SNYDER (psychology) is an office manager of a clothing manufacturer in New York City. "My company has three different divisions and can be referred to by all three names Cayset Fashions, Ltd., Kids Today, and United Sweater Mills."

MARK A. WAGNER (MBA health care) has been named vice president and treasurer at Walgreen Co. Mark joined Walgreens in 1977 as a clerk and after managing several stores was promoted to district manager in 1993. He most recently was operational vice president for the region, including Illinois and southern Wisconsin.

PETER L. WININGER (history) has been appointed as head boy's basketball coach at Bristol Eastern High School in Bristol, CT.

JOSEPH P. WOLKOWICZ (accounting) has joined the firm of Boiselle, Morton and Sansom, LLP. He brings more than six years of experience in both public and management accounting. Joseph is a member of the Western Massachusetts Committee and Young CPA's Committee of the Massachusetts Society of Certified Public Accountants as well as a member of the Springfield Chapter of the Institute of Management Accountants.

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JENNIFER M. (CARTER) DIANO (accounting) married DOUGLAS DIANO (marketing '92) on May 22, 1999 in Newport, RI. Dianne is the financial analyst for the City of Newport, RI, and is a CPA. Doug is the vice president of sales and marketing for Cristoline Company in North Kingston, RI.

SCOTT E. DINNEEN (sociology) has been promoted to division director of OfficeTeam. OfficeTeam is the world's leading staffing service specializing in highly skilled temporary office and administrative professionals. Scott joined the company in July 1998.

KAREN A. KOLLER (MBA) has been named executive director of educational services of the Massachusetts Hospital Association. She was previously the president and CEO of Waltham West Suburban Chamber of Commerce, and headed the Greater Gardner Chamber of Commerce.

MICHAEL D. LUCEY (mechanical engineering) married Brenda Curran at Our Lady Hope Church in Springfield. Michael is an engineer with Nexter Communications in Lexington, MA, and Brenda is a registered nurse with Metro West Medical Center in Natick.

JESSICA L. (ANDREJACK) OLIVEIRA (accounting) writes, "My husband, David, and I announce the birth of our son, Anthony Joseph, born on February 18, 2000. He weighed 9 pounds, 6 ounces and was 21 inches long. I work for Big Y Foods in Springfield, MA, as a staff accountant. David works for Pathfinder Vocational Technical School as a field counselor.

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KRYSTY S. SULLIVAN ALEXANDER (government, L'99) married Dr. Stephen Alexander at St. Mary's of the Assumption Church in Northampton, MA. Krysty is an attorney and Stephen is a pediatrician at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston.

BETHANY J. CARLSON (general business) is now the owner of the John Tarr Store. The store was passed on to her by her father, John Carlson, who has been the owner since 1974. The store has been a landmark for more than a century in Rockport, MA.

KEVIN T. CASTONGUAY (marketing) has been promoted to the position of manager of product development with Pendant Corporation in Stamford, CT. Kevin is married to KIMBERLY (FRANESSEN) (management studies '97). Kim recently accepted a position in the Human Resource Department with A.C. Neilson in Stamford. Kevin and Kim also recently purchased a new home in Stamford, CT.

PAUL M. CHERICO (marketing) married Christine Coyman on September 25, 1999 at St. Pius X Church in South Yarmouth, MA. Paul is an account executive at Ikon Office Solutions in Port Chester. Christine is a marketing and public relations manager in Stamford, CT.

JENNIFER E. DESJARDINS-DUBE (government) married William Dube at Abbey Chapel at Mount Holyoke College in South Hadley, MA. Jennifer is a victim's advocate for the Waltham Police Department. William is a project manager for C.J. Mabardy in Cambridge, MA.

ELIZABETH A. DESOUSA (accounting) was promoted to manager of business attest services of Moriarty & Primack of Springfield.

JENNIFER L. (ETHIER) LOGEE (management) is engaged to CHRISTOPHER LOGEE (engineering management '99). Jennifer is attending Western New England College School of Law and Christopher is a project engineer at Mather Corporation in Bloomfield, CT.

KEVIN M. HAMEL (MBA) has been promoted to vice president of information technology at Peoples Bank. Kevin joined the bank in 1995. He is responsible for the bank's computer and network systems.

CHAD M. JOHNSON (criminal justice) married Darcey Connaughton on November 27, 1999, at St. Jude's Church in Indian Orchard, MA. Chad is employed by the Hampshire County Sheriff's Department and Darcey is employed by Unicare in Springfield.

JOSHUA S. KELLY (MBA) has been promoted to sales and marketing manager for Olympic Manufacturing Group of Agawam, MA. Joshua joined the company in 1992 and most recently held the position of marketing manager for the roofing products division.

DANIEL M. LANOUE (management) recently opened a branch of Crown Trophy on Bridge Street in Great Barrington, MA. The business has plaques, pins, medallions, ribbons and other awards available for engraving and laminating.

JEFFREY S. MELANSON (mechanical engineering) married Kimberly Monette at the Lord Thompson Manor in Thompson, CT. Jeffrey is a product development manager with Optimum Technologies in Southbridge. Kimberly is in executive sales with The Butcher Co.

MICHAEL J. SCANLON (MBA accounting concentration) has changed positions in the South Hadley School System from school business manager to math teacher.

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MICHAEL R. KENT (BS in law enforcement, '97 MS criminal justice administration) has been promoted to the position of captain in the Amherst, MA, Police Department. He will be in charge of the departments operations.

RONALD L. LOMBARD (MBA) was appointed to CEO of Quantech Services in Shrewsbury, MA.

ANNE M. MCMAHON (BS in law enforcement, 1999 MS criminal justice administration) traveled to the FBI Academy in Quanitco, VA, to attend a three-week course on forensic facial imaging. Anne has been a member of the Northampton, MA, Police Department since 1993.

SHANNON M. SZLOSEK (management law and conflict resolution) married Karen Francesconi on February 12, 2000 at Mater Dolorosa Church in Holyoke, MA. Shannon is the vice president of The Translaw Group, Inc. in Springfield, and Karen is a registered nurse at Baystate Medical Center in Springfield.

RYAN D. THOMAS (communications) cotaught with EILEEN MALONEY G'80, a class entitled Managing Your Twenties. He spoke on the job market and economic outlook in the Spring of 2000. Ryan is a regional manager at Accountemps.

BRIAN P. BRENNAN (mechanical engineering) married Christine Lee Ayotte at St. Ignatius Church at Boston College in Newton, MA. Brian is an engineer by the Naval Surface Warfare Center in Washington D.C., and Christine is employed by Sullivan & Cromwell, Attorneys At Law in Washington D.C..

KIMBERLY (FRANESSEN) CASTONGUAY (management studies) recently accepted a position in the Human Resource Department with A.C. Neilson in Stamford, CT. She is married to KEVIN CASTONGUAY ('95 marketing). Kevin was promoted to the position of manager of product development with Pendant Corporation in Stamford, CT. Kim and Kevin also recently purchased a new home in Stamford, CT.

DENNIS C. DONOVAN (BS in law enforcement, MS criminal justicce administration '99) was promoted from patrolman to sergeant in the Westfield, MA, Police Department.

RONALD W. HIRTLE (MBA acquisition and contracts) has been selected as Air Force Space Command's 1998 Outstanding Contracting Officer of the Year. He is currently serving as commander, Base Operations Support Flight at Schriever Air Force Base in Colorado.

JO ANN PIEDRAFITE (MBA health care) has been appointed to the newly established position of vice president of post acute care at HealthAlliance of Leominster, MA.

MICHAEL J. PROKOP (electrical engineering) married Ashley Cahill on October 9, 2000, at the Cathedral of the Pines in Rindge, NH. Michael is pursuing his masters degree in electrical engineering at the University of New Hampshire. He is an electrical engineer employed by Sanders in Nashua, NH. Ashley is a principal analyst at Panexel, International Corporation in Lowell.

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CLAUDIA S. BARRETT (MBA) moved to the Washington, D.C. area in October, 1999. She is currently the manager, marketing and member relations of the Professional Aviation Maintenance Association in Washington, D.C. Claudia oversees all their membership related marketing initiatives and campaigns, plans and implements the activities and sponsorships of their annual trade show, and oversees the activities of their chapter network across the United States. She is also the development manager for the Professional Aviation Maintenance Foundation.

LYLE K. DREW (MBA) writes, "I am currently a captain in the Air Force. I am serving as the F-16 Logistics Test Flight Commander at Edwards Air Force Base in California."

MONIQUE D. DUMAIS (manufacturing management) is working at Hardigg Industries as a quality assurance manager for over a year now. She is also the ISO 9001 Management Representative for the South Deerfield, MA, facility.

JON B. GOODWIN (finance) was recently promoted to senior associate at First Investor's Corporation in Waltham, MA. He assists individuals with financial planning.

MICHAEL A. LAPORTE (history). The Alumni Relations office received notice that Michael LaPorte in November was in Kosovo taking part in Operation Joint Guard. He was in Kosovo since June as part of NATO's international peace keeping force. The unit was responsible for providing a secure environment for the rebuilding of Kosovo.

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JACQUELINE BENEDETTI (MBA health care) was named director of marketing relations at Marriott MapleRidge of Dartmouth, MA. She will be responsible for interacting with potential residents and their families in identifying and anticipating their needs.

PATRICK J. CAHILLANE (MS criminal justice administration) received the national designation of certified jail manager through the Jail Managers Certification Commission by authority of the American Jail Association. He is one of only 169 jail professionals to have achieved this designation. Patrick has worked in corrections for 22 years.

CHRISTOPHER W. LOGEE (mechanical engineering) is engaged to JENNIFER ETHIER (management '95). Christopher is a project engineer at Mather Corporation in Bloomfield, CT, and Jennifer is attending Western New England College School of Law.

JONATHAN T. LUKE (mechanical engineering) married Kristie Doullard at the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church in Chicopee. Jonathan is an engineer with United Technologies Corporation in Windsor Locks, CT, and Christie is a teacher at Children's House in Springfield. The couple welcomed Jaden Kalli on February 25, 2000. She weighed eight pounds, eight ounces and was 21 inches long.

ROBERT W. MANNING (MBA finance management) married MICHELLE R. LALANCETTE (human resource management '93, MBA G'99) in Feeding Hills, MA, on February 5, 2000. Michelle is the assistant director of admissions at Western New England College, and Robert is a production manager at H.P. Hood, Inc.

ELIA M. PIZARRO (finance) has joined Allmerica Financial as a new account representative. She says working on the campus of a large corporation reminds her of life back at Western New England College.

Elia Pizarro '99

MINDIE L. (MIRON) RICHTER (finance) joined the staff of the Springfield Public Schools as financial analyst.

This beautiful wall hanging which is displayed outside the Office of the President in Deliso Hall, was a gift to Dr. Caprio H'00 from Vanwijak "Khem" Eowsakul, a graduate student at the School of Engineering. A similar piece was presented this spring to Eric Haffner, dean of the School of Engineering.

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Alumni Couples

MARK W BARAN '81 (accounting) and PAMELA J. BARAN '90/G'99 (finance, MBA) reside in Chicopee, MA. John is a vice president at Westfield Bank. Pamela writes, "We met when we worked together at Third National Bank. We now have two sons, Matthew, age 3, and Michael, 5 months."

Mark Baran '81 and Pam Baran '90/G'99

DOUGLAS F BECK '86 (marketing) and MAURA M. (MITCHELL) BECK '86 (computer information systems) reside in Smithfield, RI. Doug is a regional recruiting manager for CDI Corporation, and Maura is a stay-at-home mom. Maura writes, "After one drink lead to another at Mory's Pub, we've now been happily married for almost 11 years. We have two great sons: Mitchell, age 6, and Martin, age 2. We are still in Rhode Island and we can be found "beaching it" on most warm days."

GREGORY J. BIEKSHA '94 (industrial engineering, manufacturing options) and JOAN M. BIEKSHA '84 (economics) reside in Ellington, CT. Joan is a business systems delivery specialist for Aetna Financial Services and Gregory is currently looking for work. They write, "We were not your standard alumni. We were already married when Joan attended from 1980 to 1984 as a night student. Greg went to WNEC starting in 1990, when at the age of 35 after finding out that his degree from 1977 was no longer accepted by the industry as an engineering degree. After many years of waiting, we now have two beautiful boys, Matthew, age 4, and David, age 2."

Matthew, 4, and David, 2 1/2, children of Gregory J. Bieksha '94 and Joan M. Bieksha '84.

GARY J. BOURQUE '89 (electrical engineering) and CYNTHIA L. (CASPER) BOURQUE '91 (marketing) reside in Ann Arbor, MI. Cindy is the owner of Personalized Computer Training, and Gary is in sales at the Torrington Company. Cindy writes, "We were married in 1992 in Torrington, CT. Since then we have moved to Indiana and are now in Ann Arbor, MI. We have two boys, Joshua, who is 5, and Jeremy, 3. Gary's job required travelling to Japan several times a year. I work part-time for my own company doing computer training and Internet web design. We are both very happy in Ann Arbor and hope to stay here a while."

WILLIAM R. BOWKER '84 (management) and FRANCINE A. (TIROLETTO) BOWKER '83 (human resource management) reside in Enfield, CT. Bill writes, "Fran was a commuter, living in Enfield, and I was a resident, having come to WNEC from the Boston Area. We met in one of Professor Bazan's "Structures" classes. Upon my graduation in 1984, I made the decision to stay in the area and I moved to Enfield. Fran and I were married in October 1986. Fran pursued her career in human resources, working for Phoenix Mutual and Bank of Boston. I pursued my management career and worked for Bank of New England-West (which subsequently failed in 1991 and was purchased by FleetBank.) I am currently vice president– director of retail sales for Citizens Bank, CT. I am responsible for managing the overall sales and incentive programs for the 43 branch network in Connecticut. Fran decided to put her career on hold to devote the time to raising our two children– Angela, age 10, and Joseph, age 6. Fran does work at the school, where Angela and Joe attend, as a part-time computer teacher for grades K-2. She also does part-time work for the Enfield Public School System as an aide."

RICHARD A. BROUILLETTE '89 (marketing) and CHRISTINE A. (WIKARI) BROUILLETTE '90 (mechanical engineering) write "Rick and I met on a WNEC sponsored ski trip in January of 1988. He was from the business school and I was part of the engineering school. Our paths would have never crossed had it not been for the trip. It was a wonderful weekend of skiing and dancing. It didn't take long for us to realize that we were destined to be together. Our families lived just 10 minutes from each other and my aunt and Rick's mom worked together. We were engaged two years later just days before my graduation. We were married on Valentine's Day in 1992 at Chez Josef. At the same time I accepted a job with Boeing and we moved to Huntsville, AL, a high tech industrial oasis, unfortunately 1000 miles from home. Rick accepted a position with Grainer, and industrial distributor, and that along with a thriving men's hockey league, great fishing, and almost year-round golf keep him very busy. Our family has recently grown; Joshua Luke was born on December 30, 1999, a bit early and much closer to being the millennium baby than I ever dreamed. He was a healthy 7 pounds 20 inches at birth and already doubled that weight in just 3 months. With my career established I am lucky enough to work part-time, and Rick's work schedule also affords him ample time with the baby. We make at least two trips a year back to New England to visit family and stock up on real maple syrup and Yankee Candles. We know some day we'll return to Massachusetts but for now not much could beat the life we lead."

Rick '89 and Chris '90 Brouillette and son, Joshua Luc.

MICHAEL J. CANALES '92 (history) and KATHARINE A. (HOUGHTON) CANALES '92 (history) are living in North Adams, MA. Katherine is a Family Daycare provider for Katey's TLC, and Michael is the assistant director of Williamstown Youth Center. Katey writes, "We met on campus while we were working there during the summer of 1991. We had shared a history class together the semester before and so knew of each other, and then we kept bumping into each other during the summer and began talking. After going on a couple of dates we found we had a lot in common and a lot of fun. The rest is history. We were married in 1995. I, Katey, am doing family daycare in our home so that I can stay at home with our two children, Owen, 3, and Evan, 16 months. Mike is the assistant director of the Williamstown Youth Center where he plans and runs programs for children. Thank you to Western New England College for a wonderful experience!"

Michael '92 and Katharine '92 Canales and children, Evan and Owen.

WILLIAM B. CANFIELD '73 (management) and MONICA A. (CORMIER) CANFIELD '73 (marketing) live

in King of Prussia, PA. Bill is a client manager for CIGNA Healthcare and Monica is a homemaker. They have two children, Christopher, age 19, and Jennifer, age 16.

DANIEL J. COBB '81 (general business) and LINDA R. (STREET) COBB '82 (accounting) reside in Gendale, AZ. Linda is a senior accountant for John C. Lincoln Hospital and Dan is a lead consultant for ACS, Inc. Linda writes, "Dan and I were both enrolled in the same COBOL class taught by Mr. Victor Smith. It was actually in the computer room that we met and formed a friendship. We married in 1987 and moved to beautiful sunny Arizona the following year. In addition to our jobs, we have two dogs and three cats that keep us very busy. In our spare time, we love to travel and to entertain guests from back east."

TIMOTHY G. COCCHI '83 (finance) and CYNTHIA A. (ALLEN) COCCHI '81 (social work) write, "Naturally, we met at WNEC—as best as we recall at a party in Windham Hall. Cindy graduated with a degree in Social Work in 1981, then Tim graduated with a degree in Finance in 1983. Just over a year later, we were

Top: Timothy Cocchi and Cynthia Allen, then. Bottom: The Cocchi family, now, Tim, Elena Maria, and Cynthia

married in Holyoke, MA. Our first home was Hartford, CT, where we stayed for five years. During this time, Cindy was working at the Institute of Living and then the Connecticut Dept. of Children and Youth Services, Tim completed his MBA from the University of Connecticut while working at the Travelers Insurance Company. In 1989, Tim was transferred to Chicago. We enjoyed Chicago for two years and then moved to Wilmington, DE, to get closer to Tim's family in Vineland, NJ. It was then that Tim took a position at AIG. In Delaware, Cindy worked for Adoptions from the Heart until 1993, when Elena Maria was born. In September 1999, Tim accepted a 3+ year overseas assignment with AIG that landed us in Dubai, UAE. Elena is now in kindergarten at the American School of Dubai, and is learning a great deal about different cultures. Cindy grew up in Massachusetts and Tim in New Jersey, so we are also enjoying the experience of a different part of the world. Cindy spends her time helping out at school and also is an active member of the American Women's Association. Tim's work keeps him busy travelling within the region, mostly the Gulf States, Saudi Arabia, Pakistan and Bangladesh. We now maintain (long distance) many of the friendships that began at WNEC, and hope our friends will be able to see this to 'track our current position.'"

PETER J. COKOTIS '85/G'88 (management, MBA) and NANCY J. (BORDEN) COKOTIS '85/G'89 (marketing, MBA) live in East Longmeadow, MA. Nancy writes, "Peter and I just celebrated our 15th wedding anniversary on February 16, 2000! We are happily married and have two beautiful daughters. Jennifer is eight years old and Julie is six. Pete and I met on campus in the old WNEC library. We dated while in the undergraduate program, and he proposed to me over dinner right after my final exam for my last class. We both enjoyed those years on campus! Both of us were commuters. I was also the president of the Marketing Association on campus for two consecutive years. Pete got to know Dr. Marilyn Pelosi through his courses, and Marilyn and Dick Pelosi (Dr. Richard Pelosi) are godparents to our daughter, Jennifer. We continue to stay connected to WNEC through the friendships we developed while students."

GEORGE P. CONWAY L'91 and KARLA E. (BARZ) CONWAY '85 (marketing) L'91 reside in Glenmont, NY. Karla is a trial attorney for the Law Offices of Edward C. Fassett, Jr. and George is a trial attorney for Wem, Young, Fenton & Kelsey. Karla writes, "George and I met in our first year torts class with Professor Cole. He sat in front of me. One day I leaned forward during class to tell him he still had shaving cream

Children of George '91 and Karla '91 Conway: back (L to R) Megan and Mikala; front (L to R) Maggie and Gunnar.

in his ear. We became friends but we did not date until our second year. George was so sweet bringing me cookies from Gus & Paul's every week! We now have four children: Megan, 7, Mikala, 5, Gunnar, 3, and our latest addition Margaret (Maggie), 6 months. We will be celebrating our 10th anniversary on July 7, 2000."

Kara Cruz '90/G'97 and Tom Cruz '89/G'96 with daughter Emma-Deanne

THOMAS M. CRUZ '89/G'96 (marketing, MBA) and KARA (CARDOZA) CRUZ '90/G'97 (accounting, MBA) live in Garden Grove, CA. Kara is a manager of managed

DIANO WEDDING

(Below)

Kneeling (L-R): Tim Casey '90, Joe Bruno '90, Gene Steneck '94, Doug Diano '92, Hank Kirchner.

Middle Row (L-R): Scott Greiner '92, Erin Douglas '94, Eileen (Connolly) Kerr '94, Susanne (Henderson) Reilly '94, Julie Humphreys '94, Alyssa (Goldklang) Greiner '94, Laura Martin '94, Jennifer (Carter) Diano '94, Linda Maloof '94, Barbara (Jenkins) Steneck '92, Amy Schuck.

Top Row (L-R): Brian Asay '92, Anthony Massaro '92, JJ Maxwell '92, Jay Connolly '94, Jim Scanlon '92, Ed Sneath '92, Drew Seeger '92.

care finance at KPC Medical Management and Tom is a senior sales representative at Westvaco Envelope Company. Tom and Kara met at WNEC in 1987 while working at WNEK Radio Station. They were married in 1992, moved to California in 1998, and had their first child, Emma-Deanne, in 1998.

GLEN E. CURLEY '81 (marketing) and CINDY M. (GREENE) CURLEY '81 (marketing) live in Summit, NJ. Cindy is a stay-at-home mom and Glen is a senior vice president/manager special casualty underwriting for Zurich Reinsurance North America. Cindy writes, "We met in our freshman year at WNEC. We were friends for all four years but never dated until senior year. We both worked in the Rathskellar and we were both business majors. We were married in 1985, have 3 children, Brian, age 11, Jason, age 9, and Allison, age 2. We still keep in touch with some friends from WNEC."

JONATHAN J. DEMIRJIAN '81 (sociology) L'85 and POLLY L. ORENSTEIN DEMIRJIAN '82 (government) L'85, live in Orange, CT. Jonathan is the assistant public defender for the State of Connecticut and Polly is an attorney for the Office of Tracey Cleary. Polly writes, "We are busy with our three kids–Miranda and Freeman, our twins, are six years old, and Jack is three years old."

Gina '92 and Christopher '92 Dowd and son, Christophori Joseph.

CHRISTOPHER J. DOWD '92 (government) and GINA M. (GELINEAU) DOWD '92 (social work) reside in Agawam, MA. Chris writes, "Gina and I met in the spring of 1989 in Professor Hartshorn's American Government Class. In the fall of 1989, we began dating after noticing each at the tavern across the street from WNEC. Gina will be receiving her masters in social work from Boston College in May 2000. I have taught the past nine years in the Springfield Public Schools. Presently I teach 10th grade world history II College Prep at Central High School in Springfield. Also I am an assistant varsity football coach there. We have an adorable two-year old son, Christophori Joseph Dowd."

The Durkin Family

ANDREW DURKIN '74 (management) and his wife EILEEN (NICHOLS) DURKIN '74 (marketing) married shortly after graduation. The couple settled in Englewood, NJ, where both joined Andrew's family's insurance brokerage firm. They have three daughters, Kym, Katie, and Kris, a high school senior who will be visiting Western New England College next fall as part of her college selection process. They are also the proud grandparents of Hunter Kate, age 2. Andrew has headed Durkin Agency, Inc. since 1992. After raising her children, Eileen returned to the agency in 1994 and now manages its Northvale, NJ, office. Andrew writes, "I'm vice chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Englewood Hospital & Medical Center (the 8th largest hospital in New Jersey), and its parent, the Englewood Healthcare System. I actually enjoy spending more time at the Hospital than at my office." In 1994, Andrew was appointed by Sen. Robert Torricelli (D-NJ) to serve for two years on the President's White House Conference on Small Business. He says, "It's amazing how fast the years go by. It seems like just the other day that we were trying to figure out a good excuse for skipping one of Stan Kowalski's classes."

WILLIAM T. FLORENCE '89 (industrial engineering) and MICHELLE J. (JOYAL) FLORENCE '90 (accounting) live in Wilbraham, MA. Michelle is a stay-at-home mom, and Bill is an industrial engineer at United Parcel Service. Michelle writes, "We met through mutual friends in the campus center in 1987. We started dating in 1988 and were married in September 1993. We enjoy spending time with our two boys, Joshua, 3, and Nathan, 2."

Bill '89 and Michelle '90 Florence with sons, Joshua and Nathan

ERIC A. GAGNON G'90 (MBA) and FAWN M. (MILLER) GAGNON G'90 (MBA healthcare) reside in Shirley, MA. Fawn is a registered nurse, labor and delivery at HealthAlliance, and Eric is a corporate financial analyst for Sipey in Billerica, MA. They write, "We are very happy in our lines of work. Our three boys keep us forever in gear! Ever since we met in high school we dreamed of doing the things we're doing, i.e. travel, sports and various hobbies. It was great getting our MBAs together too! Best wishes to all married couples in school at WNEC!"

ROBERT J. GROGLIO '82 (marketing) and KIMBERLY A. (CRAWFORD) GROGLIO '81 (government) live in Westport, CT. Kimberly is a naturalist/teacher at the Darien Nature Center and Robert is in sales at Ellis Graphics Corporation. They write, "We met at WNEC during our junior year and married in August of 1985. We have two children, Kaitlin, 11 years old, and Peter, 8 years old. We also get together with other WNEC alumni married couples in our area."

LOUIS M. GUILFORD '78 (marketing) and KAREN A. GUILFORD '79 (marketing) live in Deltona, FL. Karen is an advertising sales project coordinator for AAA and Louis is an operations manager for Angelica Textile Services. They write, "We started dating during Lou's senior and my junior year. We got married three weeks after I graduated from WNEC. Much to the chagrin of Ted Zern!!! Twenty-one years and two kids later, we're still together and happy!!"

WILLIAM J. KINGSTON III L'87 and SUSAN M. (FOLEY) KINGSTON '84/G'91 (accounting, MBA finance management) live in East Longmeadow, MA, with 10 year old twins, Ryanne Elizabeth and Billy IV. Susan is the chief financial officer for All States Transport, Inc. and William is a vice president at the Travelers.

CHRISTOPHER LADELFA '89 (technical management) and KRISTINA F. (WALCZAK) LADELFA '88 (finance) live in Morristown, NY. Kris is a homemaker, and Chris is a sales engineer for Hoffman Engineering Corporation. Chris writes, "Kristina and I met in early freshman year and instantly became good friends. We remained just friends among a large group of people who we are still friends with today. It was not until our junior year that we began dating. We have been together ever since and just celebrated our 10th anniversary in February. We have a son, Matthew, who will be 5 in August, a daughter, Grace, who will be 3 in July and a baby boy due this July! Without WNEC we would have never met!!"

PAUL G. LANDRY '91 (human resource management) and NOELLE L. (HALLER) LANDRY '91 (management) reside in Kensington, NH, where Noelle is a stay-at-home mom and Paul is a computer teacher at Exeter High School.

EUGENE W. LAWRENCE '93 (industrial engineering) and THEONNE N. (LAMPROS) LAWRENCE '92 (computer information systems) live in Kensington, CT. Theonne writes, "Gene and I have been happily married for 7 years thanks to a chance meeting in the D'Amour Library dur-

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Children of Eugene '93 and Theonne '92 Lawrence: Austin, 4, and Athena, 2

ing an accounting study group back in 1988. As a couple we have many wonderful memories of our college years. Our greatest accomplishments since graduation are our two beautiful children. Austin turned 4 this past April, and Athena will be 2 in August. There is no greater joy than to be a parent and experience life through the eyes of a child. Gene and I truly have WNEC to thank for allowing us the opportunity to meet and spend the last 12 years of our lives together!!!"

SCOTT L. MASSOIA '83/G'90 (economics, MBA marketing) and BONNIE J. (MICCOLY) MASSOIA '87 (marketing) reside in Feeding Hills, MA. Scott is employed as a computer consultant/programmer and is a part-time computer instructor at Springfield Technical Community College. Bonnie stays at home with three children, Anthony, 1, Angelina, 5, and Marysa, 3, and is working towards a masters degree in education. They met through friends at WNEC in 1983 and have been married since 1987.

TIMOTHY D. MERTENS '88 (computer science) and KRISTINE M. (AUBUT) MERTENS '87 (computer science) reside in Peacedale, RI. They write, "We met working at the computer contest in 1985. We were married in September 1990 and have three beautiful daughters, Ashley, 6, Melanie, 4, and Katie, 10 months."

MICHAEL J. MIKAELIAN '90 (industrial engineering) and DEBRA M. (PETCEN) MIKAELIAN '90 (industrial engineering) live in Florence, MA. Debra is an industrial engineering supervisor at Ludlow Technical Products, and Michael is an applications engineer/training specialist for Bete Fog Nozzle, Inc. Their relationship began on February 18, 1989, where they met in industrial engineering classes. They were married on April 9, 1994, and have two children, Jessica Ashley and Alexander James.

Children of Michael '90 and Debra '90 Mikaelian: Jessica Ashley and Alexander James

GEORGE T. MOLLEUR '64 (engineering management) and MARIANNE A. (AURVE) MOLLEUR '86 (accounting) reside in Bow, NH. Marianne writes, "George retired as vice president division of WPI in June of 1999. His retirement projects include woodworking and some consulting. We are happily settled in Bow, NH, gardening, travelling, and raising our dogs."

JAMES P. NIZZARDO '97 (marketing) and KARI M. (BOVAT) NIZZARDO '98 (biology) reside in East Haven, CT. Kari works at Yale University Medical School as research assistance. And James is a project manager for N&S Electric/DIL Development. They write, "We met at the beginning of our sophomore year at the Road House. We became very close friends and after dating other people we realized at the end of our junior year that we were meant to be together. We dated for two years and then got engaged and were married two years later. Our wedding was wonderful and our honeymoon was paradise in Sandals, St. Lucia. We are both currently working and doing great!"

RICHARD J. NOVELLI JR. '93 (criminal justice) and KRISTEN J. (FLEMINGS) NOVELLI '94 (social work) live in Wilmington, NC. Kristen is a stay-at-home mom and Richard is a special agent for the F.B.I. They write, "We married on September 17, 1994, and since then have lived in Clarksville, TN, and Honolulu, HI. We welcomed the birth of our twins, Trenton and Kendra, on April 12th and 13th, 1998 (four hours apart). Rich was hired as special agent with the FBI in August 1998, and Kristen decided to put her career in social work on hold in order to be a stay-at-home mom."

DAVID G. ONEY '72 (chemistry) and FRAN E. (SCHULTZ) ONEY '74 (chemistry) are living in Coral Springs, FL. David is the director of advanced technology at C. Squared Corp. and Fran is a lab manager for the City of Tamarac.

Kristin '94 and Richard '93 Novelli with twins, Kendra and Trenton.

STEVEN M. PERRY '82 (management) and KATHLEEN (BEDNARCZYK) PERRY '83 (marketing) live in Whitinsville, MA. They write, "We officially met at an RHA Christmas Party in 1980. Steve was president of RHA and I was an officer for Windham. Later that spring we both

NIZZARDO WEDDING

From left to right: Rich Murphy '97, Christina DeGraff '98, Mindy Dabo'99, Todd Perkoski '97, Arthur McNamara '99, Todd Perkoski '97, with his date Nicole Bavaro, John Jarzabski '97, Kerri Parker '98, Carl Mancini (pharmacy) '97, Paul Coronite '97, his date Rebecca Boudreau, and Jamie's brother Lou Nizzardo.

Below: Bride Kari Nizzardo '98, Groom Jamie Nizzardo '97, cousins of the groom Shannon Nizzardo and Jeff Nizzardo, and maid of honor Kelly O'Connell '97.

Not shown: Bridesmaid Laurie Gordon '98, Bridesmaid Julie Samale (pharmacy) '97, Matt Potvin '96, Melissa Shaw '97, Joe Ricco, and Usher Michael Nizzardo '96.

Wedding date: September 19, 1999, Springfield MA.

became peer advisors and throughout training and the retreat we got to know each other. We became engaged my senior year and got married after I graduated. This August we will be married 17 years. We have three children, Bethany, 13, Matthew, 9, and Hannah, 4. Steve is a category manager for Shaw's Supermarkets. He works in the non-foods department. He has worked there almost 7 years. I have been a stay-at-home mom for 13 years and just started back to work part-time at St. Patrick's Rectory as a religious education assistant."

SCOTT L. PIERCE '95 (general business) and JENNIFER M. (McLEOD) PIERCE '93 (social work) are living in Springfield, MA. Scott is the superintendent at Franconia Golf Course and Jennifer is a social worker at the Center for Human Development. Jennifer writes, "Scott and I started dating at the end of my senior year. We were 'suite mates' in Gateway. We were married on May 25, 1996. Our daughter, Melissa, was born the following year on April 15, 1997. Before we knew it, we were blessed with the birth of our son, Shawn on July 31, 1998! Just recently we began the adventure of buying a new home. We plan to move in early June! How lucky we are to have both chosen to attend WNEC!

JOHN W. PIISPANEN '79 (management) and SUZANNE E. (VARLEY) PIISPANEN '88 (accounting) live in Adams, TN. Suzanne is an at home mom who works part-time out of their home doing marketing for United Equipment Company, and John is a branch manager at United Equipment Company.

GERALD J. PITTORINO JR. '93 (general business) and REBECCA A. (MONTGOMERY) PITTORINO '93 (computer information systems) live in Westboro, MA. They write, "Jay and I met in our sophomore year at WNEC. We married in 1995. We recently had a baby. Our son, Derek, was born in September, 1999. I stopped working as a curriculum designer for a software company so I could be a full-time mom. Jay is vice president of Pitt Pipeline Company, Inc.

MICHAEL R. POMA '95 (human resource management) and REBECCA J. (ROBB) POMA '94 (psychology)

Michael '95 and Rebecca '94 Poma

write, "Our meeting one another was fate (or thanks to Dean Zern!). It happened during Michael's first day on campus–he was a freshman and I was his peer advisor. We were friends for a long time and continued dating throughout Michael's four years at WNEC. Even then we volunteered together at the Alumni Office and shared similar interests at the College. We both had decided on the College Student Personnel field for our professional careers and applied to the same universities where two years later, we graduated side-by-side with our master's degrees. Since graduation, we have both been working at JMU. Michael works in the Office of Financial Aid while I work in the Office of Judicial Affairs. Though having gone on to another institution of higher education, we still credit WNEC as our inspiration to go into this field. Our experience there, with administrators and faculty who cared for their students, guided us to this profession and serve as a foundation for our own professional philosophies. While in Virginia, we have fallen in love with the Shenandoah Valley, its laid-back lifestyle, and beautiful mountains. It has been a wonderful community in which to welcome our two sons into our family. Michael-Ryan was born on April Fools' Day 1998. Matthew followed shortly after in October 1999. Both boys already know where they will be attending college (or so we hope!)."

TIMOTHY E. POOLE '88 (finance) G'94 (MBA accounting concentration) and DIANE M. (O'DELL) POOLE '88 (finance) G'94 (MBA accounting concentration) live in Easthampton, MA. Diane is the CFO of VAS of Western MA, and Timothy is a Controller at CDI. They were married on September 13, 1991. Their daughter, Lauren Grace, was born on November 30, 1998.

STEPHEN W. PRIVITERA '85 (finance) and PAULA J. (VOGEL) PRIVITERA '86 (quantitative methods) live in Framingham, MA. Paula works at Field & Company in accounting, and Stephen is the owner of Harvard Printing, Inc.

MICHAEL A. PRUNTY '84 (sociology) and PATRICIA L. DIMAURO-PRUNTY '84 (government) write, "We met freshman year at a dance, but didn't start dating until junior year. We were married in 1986 and one of my bridesmaids was my college room-

Children of Michael '84 and Patricia '84 DiMauro-Prunty: Christina, Kevin and Peter

mate, Gayle Harvey '84. We have a real affinity for the school–not only is it the place where we earned our degrees and found ourselves, but we found each other. Having that common bond has only strengthened our lives. Today, we work together to raise our three children, Peter, 8, Christina, 4, and Kevin, 2. Mike continues this work as an investigator with the New York State Police and has only four years until retirement. Mike studied sociology at WNEC because they didn't have a criminal justice major. Today they do and he hopes he helped to influence that. I work at the Eleanor Roosevelt Center at Val-Kill and love doing development work. My love of philanthropy developed at WNEC when I ran the student phonathons for the Alumni Office. That had a real impact on my life. I enjoyed helping the school then through the phonathons and continue to enjoy working on behalf of WNEC today in any capacity that I can. Mike and I have covered admissions fairs in our area in the past.

DANIEL P. SCOTTI '93 (management) and BETTY J. (WALLNER) SCOTTI '92 were married on August 14, 1994.

MICHAEL A. SERAFINO '77 (general business) and PATRICIA J. (REALE) SERAFINO '77 (sociology) are living in Feeding Hills, MA. Michael is the vice president, investments at Paine Webber, Inc. and Pat is a stay-at-home mom.

STEPHEN P. SHERIDAN (computer information systems) and TERRI L. (VALERIUS) SHERIDAN (management) write, "We have enjoyed following up on fellow classmates over the years through the *Alumni Communicator* as well as through those we have managed to keep in touch with. You see we are both graduates of WNEC and we met during the end of our senior year. We often pull out the old yearbook when we get the newsletter to see exactly who is being written about to make sure our memories are not fading all that badly. Terry and I did manage to make it back to WNEC in October of 1996 to celebrate our ten-year reunion. We really had a great time seeing old friends and teachers and even meeting Dr. Caprio H'00, the newest president of the College. We look forward to our 20th year reunion in 2006. Boy, does that sound strange. I moved to Las Vegas in January of 1987 and I am presently vice president and credit manager for Bank of America's Auto Dealer Lending Division. Terri moved out West in August of 1987 and we were married in October of 1989. Terri is presently a senior key account manager for the Pepsi Cola Bottling Group in Las Vegas and handles the company's relationships with the various hotel casinos we have here in Sin City. We were blessed with children twice, a son, Sean Patrick, in August of 1992 and a daughter, Katie Elizabeth, in December of 1994. My memories of WNEC are some of the best that I have. The four years spent there and the friendships I made will always be close to my heart. With Terri and I having graduated from the same school we have already started to impress upon our children not only the importance of education but also that you may in fact meet your soulmate there as well, like we did. We may have moved far

away from the New England area but our memories of times spent in college are always close to our hearts."

BRADFORD C. STEWART '88 (management) and CHRISTINE M. (DESANTIS) STEWART '88 (management) are living in Dover, NH. Brad is working for Kraft Foods and Christine is a stay-at-home mom. Christine writes, "We were married in October of 1992, and have since moved to Dover, NH. Our three children ages 6, 3, and 9 months keep us happy and busy. Brad has worked for Kraft since graduating from WNEC. I will continue to be a full-time mom for a few more years… the most rewarding job I've ever had!

GREGORY STOLTZFUS '93 (electrical engineering) and REBECCA L. (ALBINO) STOLTZFUS '94 (quantitive economics) are living in Westfield, MA. Both Gregory and Rebecca are systems analysts at MassMutual. Rebecca writes, "Greg and I met in January 1993 through the 10 pin bowling league. We were engaged in February of 1994 and married on December 2, 1995. We bought our home in Westfield in May of 1998. We share our home with our five "children" four cats, Cleo, Toby, Max, and Woody, and one dog, Casey. Will these five little critters be accompanied by the pitter-patter of a toddler's footsteps? Only time will tell!"

TIMOTHY TYRRELL '93 (general business) and LAUREN M. (CHESTER) TYRRELL '92 (psychology) live in Suffern, NY. Tim is the president of Tyrrell Paving, Inc. They have a daughter, Haley Michele, who was born on July 4, 1999.

ANTHONY N. VINCIGUERRA '93 (industrial engineering) and NOREEN M. (GOSCENSKI) VINCIGUERRA '92 (accounting) live in Feeding Hills, MA. Noreen is an investment analyst at MassMutual and Tony is an asset protection manager for Sears & Roebuck.

RICHARD J. VOLLARO '83 (mechanical engineering) and MARY BAZAN VOLLARO '83 (mechanical engineering) are living in Somers, CT. Mary is an assistant professor of Engineering at Western New England College and Richard is a project manager at Yale University.

MARK D. WARNER '87 (mechanical engineering) and CAROLYN M. (WILLIAMS) WARNER '87 (mathematics) met during their sophmore year and started dating regularly in 1985 after Mark visited her at Gateway to borrow a pencil sharpener. He writes, "To this day, she feels like she fell for the lamest line in the book, 'Can I use your pencil sharpener?' We graduated in May '87. I moved to Allentown, PA, to start working for Ingersoll-Rand Company–Standard Pump Division as a Product Engineer. Carolyn went home to New York State seeking employment. We maintained a long distance relationship, with me driving 360 miles to New York nearly (she made me add the nearly part) every weekend to visit her, until we were married in October '88. We lived in Pennsylvania for five years. Carolyn worked for Rodale Press (printers of the magazines *Men's Health, Organic Gardening, Prevention,* etc.) as the office manager for their book and magazine Distribution Center. Our first son, Brandon, was born in Bethlehem in February '93 (it's especially interesting at Christmas time when Brandon tells people that he was born in Bethlehem). Carolyn stopped working (for monetary rewards anyway) when Brandon was born. In March of '93, Ingersoll-Rand announced a joint venture with Dresser Industries, which formed Ingersoll-Dresser Pump Company (IDP). We were transferred to Chesapeake, VA, in September of '93. I never expected to see other WNEC alumni while living this far from the campus. Imagine my surprise, a few years ago, when I learned that our manager of manufacturing was a WNEC alumnus (Scott Taylor '72). A short time later our second son, Bryan, was born in May '96. In '98, I was the co-recipient of a patent for an "Integral Close Coupling for a Rotary Gear Pump". I spent last year as a product manager with IDP; just long enough to find out I prefer engineering to sales and marketing. I am now a senior product engineer for IDP as we endeavor into the second corporate merger during my tenure, this time with the Flowserve Corporation. Carolyn is working very hard at being a mom through her volunteering at the local school, being 'Room MOM' for both kids' classes and being the 'Team MOM' for Brandon's baseball team. We are happily married for 11+ years now. Brandon and I are active in the local Scouting Program. Carolyn and I are both actively involved in our children's lives and our church and still live in Chesapeake with our assorted pets (two dogs, two cats, and fish)."

MATTHEW D. WINEBERG '96 (mechanical engineering) and JENNY L. (WYNKOOP) WINEBERG '95 (accounting) are living in Atlanta, GA. Jenny is the controller at Gambrell & Stolz and Matt is a MBA student at Georgia Tech. Matt writes, "We met a WNEC in 1994. We lived in adjacent apartments in Gateway Village. We got engaged in 1997 and were married in 1998. Jenny's roommate in Gateway, Andrea Saari '96/G'00 (marketing, MBA) served as Jenny's maid of honor in our wedding. After living in Texas and Florida, we are in Atlanta now as I am earning an MBA degree at Georgia Tech. I graduate in May 2001 and the future is up in the air. We are very happy with our degrees and they have enabled us to pursue the careers we want."

Matthew '96 and Jenny Wineberg '95.

PAUL D. YACOVONE '91/G'95 (marketing, MBA) and TAMMIE M. (ORLANDO) YACOVONE '93/G'98 (human resource management, MBA) are living in Feeding Hills, MA. Tammie is the director of human resources at Programming Resources Company and Paul is an instructor of sales and sales management at Western New England College. They just had a baby girl, Isabell Teresa.

JOHN A. ZEIDNER '88 (marketing) and CORINNE A. (POINT) ZEIDNER '87 (marketing) are living in Fort Mill, SC. Corinne is a stay-at-home mom and John is a regional account manager for Kana Communications. They write, "We have been married since 1995. We moved from Norwalk, CT, to Charlotte, NC, in the fall of 1994. We now live in Fort Mill, SC, with our two daughters, Kelly, age 4, and Courtney, age 1. We also have 2 dogs and 3 cats! We love the south, but still miss the north. We have recently purchased a house on Martha's Vineyard, which enables us to visit the north in the summer. If any WNEC alumni are in the Charlotte area or visiting the Vineyard, please give us a call! Check our summer rental home at http://www.weneedavacation.com/cape/2451.htm."

A Note of Thanks to Our Alumni Couples

The Office of Alumni Relations would like to thank the married alumni couples who shared their stories and news with us. Your response was overwhelming and it was wonderful to receive so many photos.

If you did not have an opportunity to send us a note, feel free to contact us at any time. Also, please remember to let us know of any changes in your address or contact information throughout the year so we can continue to share news about the Alumni Association with you!

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In Memoriam

LEO H. J. BRODEUR '35 (accounting) died on Wednesday, March 8, 2000 in Holyoke, MA. He was a proficient artist and had many of his works exhibited in Western Massachusetts. He retired from the claims department of Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co., Inc. in 1969. He was a Navy lieutenant during World War II and served as a communications officer in the Pacific Theater. He leaves two sons, Laurent C. of Ludlow, MA, and Paul H. Wallace-Brodeur of Montpelier, VT; a daughter, Jackie Brodeur of Westhampton, MA, three sisters, Irene D'Amario of Springfield, Anita Lugano of Long Boat Key, FL, and Lucielle Gossman of Chicago, IL. His wife, Rachel, predeceased him in 1997.

GUY C. WORRELL '58 (MBA) passed away on Friday, April 21, 2000. He was executive vice president of Connecticut Innovations, Inc. in Rocky Hill, CT, and retired in 1990. He was previously general manager for submarine development and assembly at General Dynamics in New London, CT. He was a World War II and Korean War Air Force veteran and attained the rank of colonel. He was a key engineer in the production and modifications to the Boeing B-17 and B-29 bombers. He also taught industrial engineering and financial cost controls for many years at Clark University in Worcester. He leaves a son, Guy C. III of Dover, MA, a daughter, Pricilla M. O'Connell of Northampton, MA, a grand-daughter and his former wife, Diane E. Garlock, formerly of Longmeadow.

HENRY A. LORD '62 (mechanical engineering) passed away in December of 1999. He retired in 1988 after 55 years with Diamond International having underwritten several patents for molded fiber packaging products. In addition to playing professional clarinet in the Army band during World War II, he enjoyed writing and performing jazz music and was a member of the Fanfare Jazz Band. He leaves his wife of 55 years, Julia, two daughters, Cheryl Lord and Anne-Marie Lord, two sons, Peter Lord and Jerome Lord, and a brother, Robert Lord.

KARL W. EDELMANN '63 (accounting) passed away in September of 1999. He leaves his wife, Versie Millie, four stepsons, Russell Ray, David Learning, James Learning, and Lionel Learning; two stepdaughters, Nequetta Proulx and Georgia Suprenant; a brother, Robert Edelmann; a sister, Barbara Tautfest; and nine grandchildren. A member of Brimfield Friendship Baptist Church, Mr. Edelmann was a certified public accountant with an office in Ludlow, MA.

WILLIAM F. HINCKLEY JR '63 (management) passed away in March of 2000. He leaves four children, William, Lizi, Mott, Hallie, and his wife, Barbara Hinckley. He moved to Simsbury in 1968 and maintained a coaching position for Simsbury Little League for 11 years while umpiring for girl's softball.

JOSEPH J. KINGSLEY '63 (mechanical engineering) passed away in November of 1999. He was an engineer at General Electric Company in Holyoke and Pittsfield, MA, from 1954 to 1971. From 1971 to 1981 he was an educator in the South Hadley school system. Then he was a senior design engineer at Isoreg Corp. in Littleton from 1981 to 1988, and taught at Holyoke Catholic High School from 1988 until his retirement in 1995. Mr. Kingsley was a Navy veteran of World War II, and a member of the National Catholic Educators Association. He leaves his wife, Maureen F. McDonald, a son John, and a stepson, David Crumb.

STANLEY J. LIANA '66 (management) passed away in February of 2000, in Atlanta, GA. He was manager of technical purchasing at Healtheon Corporation in Santa Clara. He leaves his wife, Irene, and a sister, Jean Podgorski.

LIONEL A. LORTIE '67 (industrial engineering) passed away in February of 2000, in DeBary, FL. He was a software development manager for Litton PRC, Inc. of Orlando, FL. He was raised in the Springfield area before moving to Florida 20 years ago. At the time of his death, he was a master's degree candidate in industrial engineering at the University of Central Florida. He leaves three daughters, Lee-Anne Sacone, Julie Talbot, and Nicole Lortie; a sister, Diane Paquette, and three grandchildren.

MARSHALL E. MAGILL '67 (management) passed away in March of 2000. He was the owner and operator of A-1 Home Improvement Co. He was an Air Force veteran, a communicant of St. Cecilia's Church, and a fourth-degree member of Knights of Columbus. He leaves his wife, Annie, and three sons, Todd, Kevin, and Christopher; and a daughter, Tracy.

KATHLEEN E. FERRITER '74 (sociology) passed away in November of 1999. She was the coordinator of counseling services at the State Career Development Institute in Springfield since 1974. She leaves her husband, Thomas; her father and stepmother William J. and Barbara Barry; two brothers Tim Barry and William Barry; and two sisters, Terry Miller and Monica Barry.

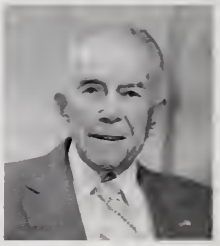
ANTHONY M. DOMINGUEZ '79 (mechanical engineering G'85 MS engineering management) passed away in November of 1999. He worked for Pratt & Whitney Aircraft and Northeast Utilities and most recently was vice president of O.S. Walker in Worcester, MA. His wife Sandra, mother Rose, a son, Benjamin, and daughter, Sarah survive him.

EDWARD A. ROSE '80 (marketing) passed away in January of 2000. He was employed by Automotive Technologies, Inc. of Newington. He leaves his wife, Lynne, and three daughters Kelsey, Samantha, and Alexandra, and his parents, Alan and Martie.

STEVEN H. CUSHING '82 (electrical engineering) from San Jose, CA, passed away.

MARCEL P. OLIVERIA '84 (management) passed away in February of 2000. He was a former salesman at the Menard and Holmberg Co. and previously worked for Bertera Motor Company of West Springfield. He leaves his daughter, Kyleigh, and his parents, Albert and Mary.

CHRISTOPHER A. ARGENTINIS '97 (MS criminal justice administration) passed away on Tuesday, December 14, 2000 as a result of injuries he received in the line of duty as a patrol officer for the town of Wareham, MA. He was an 11-year veteran of the Wareham Police Department. Officer Argentinis played trumpet in several groups and had earned a third degree black belt in martial arts. He is survived by his wife, Maureen; two sons, Darius A.S., and Nikolas H.; his father Panagiotis Argentinis; his mother, Beth Anderson; a brother, Andreas Argentinis; and a sister, Elenee Argentinis.



Arthur M. Marshall H'98

ARTHUR M. MARSHALL H'98 passed away in December of 1999. Through a generous endowment to the College, Atty. Marshall and his wife established the Arthur and Rebecca Marshall Human Relations and Human Issues Lectures which have brought internationally prominent political figures and human rights speakers to the College campus for over a decade. He was the labor lawyer for the cities of Holyoke and Agawam, MA, and served on several Springfield commissions over the years. He was an avid supported of Israel, visited the country 52 times and chaired the Greater Springfield State of Israel Bond Drive. He was a member of the Kodimoh Synagogue and Beth El Tember. His wife, the former Rebecca M. Malkin, died November 24, 1999. He leaves a son, Richard Marshall, a sister Mariom Feingold, six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Resources for Alumni

Career Resources

The Office of Career and Human Resources offers its services to alumni. Career counseling, a résumé referral service, weekly job listings, a newsletter, an extensive resource library, and a computerized career guidance program are available after registering with this Office. For assistance, or to make an appointment, call Career and Human Resources at 413-782-1217.

The Alumni Healthful Living Center

All alumni are now invited to use the AHLC facilities at any time during which the Center is open. Call the AHLC at 413-782-1518 to verify the hours. There is no charge for alumni to use the facility, but the Alumni Association card and a photo ID are required for admission. Guest passes for friends and family members may be purchased for $2.00 each from the Student Administrative Services (SAS) Office at 413-796-2080.

Auditing Courses

Alumni may audit undergraduate courses at Western New England College for $15.00 per credit hour if space is available. Graduate courses in the Schools of Business and Engineering may be audited on a space-available basis by alumni who completed a bachelor's or a master's degree at Western New England College and who also have the listed prerequisite(s) for the course selected. (Courses in the Weekend MBA, the Accelerated MBA, and the School of Law are not available for alumni auditors.) The College does not maintain any record of registration or completion of courses by alumni auditors.

D'Amour Library

The D'Amour Library is available to all alumni. Register at the circulation desk with your Alumni Association card when you arrive. Hours are Monday through Thursday 8 a.m. to 11 p.m., Friday 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Sunday noon to 11 p.m. The library website is: libraries.wnec.edu/welcome.html. Call D'Amour Library for more information at 413-782-1535.

The School of Law Library

The School of Law Library is open to alumni also. Hours are Monday-Thursday 8 a.m. to midnight, Friday 8 a.m. to 10 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Sunday 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. The School of Law website is www.law.wnec.edu/library/default.html. Proper alumni I.D. must be provided. Call for more information at 413-782-1457.

Campus Bookstore

Looking for a Western New England College shirt, hat, or car sticker? The Campus Bookstore has a wide variety of official College merchandise. It is open Monday through Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call the Bookstore for more information at 413-782-1284, or visit it on the Web at www.wnec.bkstr.com.

How to Order a Transcript

Your transcript is the official record of all coursework, grades, and degrees conferred at the Western New England College. Academic transcripts are ordered through the Student Administrative Services Office (SAS). There is no charge for the service. Federal law requires that we receive the student's written signature on all transcript requests. Therefore, we are unable to accept transcript requests over the telephone or by e-mail. Transcripts will not be issued to students with outstanding financial obligations to the College. For security reasons, transcripts cannot be faxed from the Student Administrative Services office.

Requests can be submitted in person, by mail, or by faxing us at 413-796-2081. Requests sent through the mail should be addressed to: SAS Office—Transcript Request, Western New England College, 1215 Wilbraham Road, Springfield, MA 01119.

All transcript requests should include the following: student name (first, middle, last), Social Security Number, telephone number, dates of attendance at the College, address(es) to which transcript(s) are to be mailed, and any prior names used while attending the College.

For updated information/hours, check the website: www.wnec.edu and click on "Campus News."

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Alumni Soccer Game
Student Activities Tables
Pre-game Reception and Complimentary Luncheon
Hospitality Tent
Multi-cultural Gathering
Class of 2000 Class Gift Dedication
Weekend MBA Reunion
Engineering Gathering
Reunion Gathering location on the Second Floor of the LaRiviere Center by the Football Game, Classes of 1970, 1985, 1990, 1995
Affinity Reunion: Student Senate, CAB/COPE, WNEK-FM, RA's, PA's, Athletics
Classes 22-62 Luncheon in the Bears Den
Complimentary Ice Cream and Chowder Bar
Downes Hall of Fame Induction Dinner
Family Activities: WNEK FM, Face Painting, Popcorn, Cotton Candy, Lil Toots - The Lion's Club Train, Trevor "The Games Man," Balloon Sculpting, and Magic Show

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